

# Motor Vehicle Advisory

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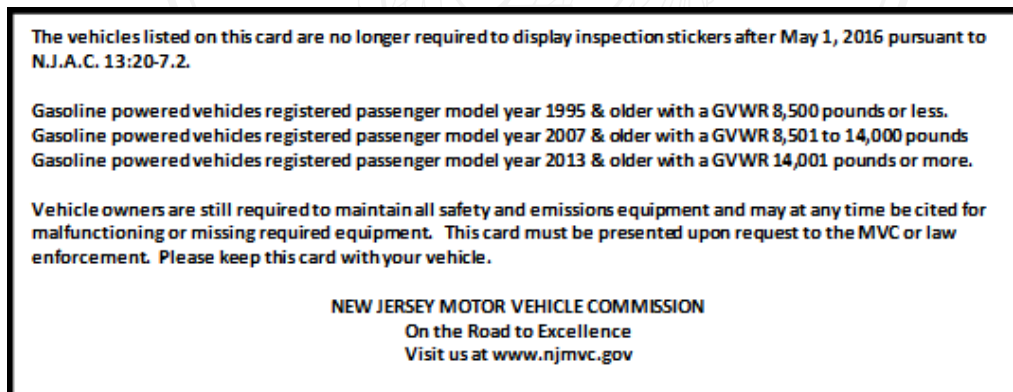
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TO: All Interested Parties  
FROM: Raymond P. Martinez, Chairman and Chief Administrator  
DATE: March 21, 2016  
SUBJECT: **Changes to Motor Vehicle Inspection Program  
May 1, 2016**

The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission will be making changes to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Inspection Program effective May 1, 2016. With the new changes, MVC will be exempting additional vehicles from inspection. Owners of the exempted vehicles will be issued a card similar to the example below:



Front



Back

Motorists will be informed to keep these cards in their vehicles at all times. Law enforcement officials should not issue summonses to these motorists for failure to inspect the vehicle if it is on the exempt list below and does not display an inspection sticker.

The following charts indicate the vehicles that are exempt, those that require an annual inspection, those that require a biennial inspection, and those vehicles subject to self-inspection:

### CHART 1- EXEMPT FROM INSPECTION

(These vehicles with the exception of collector vehicles will not display inspection stickers)

EXEMPT FROM INSPECTION
Gasoline powered passenger vehicles Model Year 1995 or older with GVWR of 8,500 or less
Gasoline powered passenger vehicles Model Year 2007 or older with GVWR of 8,501 to 14,000 lbs
Gasoline powered passenger vehicles Model Year 2013 or older with GVWR of 14,001 lbs or greater
Diesel powered passenger vehicles Model Year 1996 or older with GVWR of 8,500 lbs or less
Electric vehicles and other vehicles not fueled by hydrocarbon based fuel
Collector Vehicles- odometer and credential verification at a Specialty Inspection Site every five years (collector vehicle sticker)
Farm Use
Farm Tractor
Historic Plated Vehicles (QQ)
Motorcycles
Mopeds
Vehicles with a general registration and plates with the "D" markings.

### CHART 2- ANNUAL INSPECTION

ANNUAL INSPECTION – 1 YEAR STICKER
All Passenger Vehicle Transportation Vehicles (OA, OH, OJ, OL, OM, OP, OT and O2)
All gasoline or bi-fueled vehicles plated commercial
All diesel powered vehicles plated commercial with a GVWR of 8,500 or less

### CHART 3: PASSENGER VEHICLES/BIENNIAL INSPECTIONS

This chart includes all passenger vehicles that are plated passenger, not for profit (NF), governmental, commuter van (CV), farmer or farm truck. It gives a brief description of the different type of passenger vehicles and summarizes the required inspection cycle. Vehicles required to be inspected will have an inspection sticker displayed on the lower driver side corner.

PASSENGER VEHICLES		
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION		INSPECTION CYCLE
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 8,500 lbs or less	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 1996 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 1995 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered Model Year 1997 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Diesel powered Model Year 1996 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating from 8,501 lbs to 14,000 lbs	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2008 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2007 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered all model years	Self-Inspected (no sticker)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating from 14,001 lbs to 17,999 lbs	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2014 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2013 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered all model years	Self-Inspected (no sticker)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating 18,000 lbs or greater	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2014 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2013 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered all model years	Every Year

### CHART 4: SELF INSPECTED VEHICLES/ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

(These vehicles with the exception of collector vehicles will not display inspection stickers)

Diesel powered passenger vehicles All Model Years with GVRW of 8,501 to 17,999
Diesel powered commercial vehicles All Model Years with GVRW of 8,501 to 17,999
Trailers

### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

Any vehicle that failed inspection before May 1, 2016 will still be required to be repaired and pass a re-inspection before it can be issued a certificate of approval (inspection sticker).

VID Message for Mailing on March 22, 2016.

On March 22, 2016 notices were mailed out to roughly 9,500 motorists, who own vehicles that are exempted from the New Jersey Vehicle Inspection Program due to the ending of tailpipe testing on May 1, 2016. These notices are only for vehicles due for inspection in May 2016. These mailings will continue for the next 24 months until all of the exempted vehicles have been notified.

The exempted vehicles that will be receiving the notification are as follows:

gasoline powered vehicles registered passenger model year 1995 & older with a GVWR 8,500 pounds or less;

gasoline powered vehicles registered passenger model year 2007 & older with a GVWR 8,501 to 14,000 pounds; and

gasoline powered vehicles registered passenger model year 2013 & older with a GVWR 14,001 pounds or more.

The notice will instruct the motorist to remove the inspection sticker from the vehicle's windshield. Motorists are told not to remove these inspection stickers from an exempted vehicle until the sticker has expired.

If an exempted vehicle is presented for inspection prior to May 1, 2016, they may be inspected. If an exempted vehicle is presented on May 1, 2016 or later, they are **not** to be inspected.

Further information concerning procedural changes in the program will be provided as final software modifications are completed. If you have any questions, please contact your regional PIF office.

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