



## Changes to Motor Vehicle Inspections

### Effective April 1, 2009

Current Program	Re-Designed Program
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspections every year for type 1 and type 2 vehicles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No inspections for new type 1 vehicles for the first three (3) years</li> <li>• Inspections to be done every second year thereafter for type 1 vehicles</li> <li>• Inspections still required when vehicle enters province or ownership changes</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consumer complaints require a second opinion before Department review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consumer complaints can be reviewed by the Department after first inspection</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vehicle failing inspection, but still deemed roadworthy, receives a rejection sticker</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vehicle failing inspection, but still deemed roadworthy, can be taken for a second opinion</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Additional Features</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased roadside checks</li> <li>• Increased consumer education</li> <li>• Vehicle tester training</li> </ul>

### Effective June 1, 2009

Current Program	Re-Designed Program
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete inspection each year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After initial inspection, some components that can easily be checked by the owner will no longer be inspected.</li> <li>• Components include horn, lights, mirrors, couplings, and windshield wipers</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Additional Features</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection manual to be reviewed and revised</li> <li>• When selling a vehicle, inspection sticker must be no more than 30 days old</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>buyer must sign agreement to purchase vehicle "as is."</p>

“Type 1 vehicle” means

- passenger motor vehicles, except taxicabs,
- trucks and vans that weigh under 4501 kg,
- implements of husbandry that are not required to display a slow-moving vehicle sign as prescribed under the Act,
- motorcycles,
- motor-driven cycles,
- trailers that weigh less than 4501 kg,
- motor vehicles designed or reconstructed, equipped and intended to be used primarily for sleeping, eating and living quarters, including motorized homes or buses converted for that purpose,
- trailers designed for use as temporary or permanent living accommodations;

“Type 2 vehicle” means

- trucks and truck tractors that weigh 4501 kg or more,
- trailers that weigh 4501 kg or more,
- ambulances,
- hearses,
- motor vehicle service, repair or towing,
- taxicabs,
- fire department vehicles,
- buses not licenced as public passenger vehicles under the *Motor Carrier Act*, except buses that are passenger vehicles as defined in subsection 2(h) of that Act,
- vehicles that have permanently mounted equipment on a truck tractor chassis, such as a crane, a lifting device or well driller or other miscellaneous equipment.

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