

ATTENTION: ALL OFFICIAL INSPECTION STATIONS
QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICERS AND PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE

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SAFETY INSPECTION BULLETIN

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Changes Affecting Stations

As a reminder, within five (5) days of a change that occurs in the business name, authority or address of the inspection station, you must contact your Quality Assurance Officer (QAO) so the appropriate changes can be approved. Changes in ownership must be reported before they occur and inspections may not be performed by the new owner until an application has been submitted and approved by PennDOT. All inspection station cancellations must be reported to your QAO in advance so that a close out audit of your inspection records can be completed.

Semi-Annual Inspection for Vehicles with Combination Weights

Vehicles with a registered gross weight or registered combination weight in excess of 17,000 pounds are required to be inspected semi-annually.

Safety Inspection Record Keeping

To assure compliance with the Safety Inspection Program regulations, please be sure to record all inspections (pass and fail) on the appropriate MV-431 or MV-480 Inspection Record Form. Failed inspections may be recorded on a separate MV-431/480 if you find this more convenient. The requirement to record failed inspections also applies to those stations that are participating in PennDOT's e-SAFETY Program.

Inspection Mechanic Renewal Applications

Inspection mechanic renewal applications are sent out by PennDOT approximately 90 days prior to your inspection license expiration. When inspection mechanics do not receive their renewal application, we find that the mechanic has had a recent change of address and failed to report the change to PennDOT. You can change your address on your non-commercial driver's license at any time online by visiting PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services web site at: <http://www.dmv.state.pa.us/>. Commercial drivers can also find the form needed to change your commercial driver's license at the same site.

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PennDOT's e-SAFETY Program

On Monday, Dec. 17, 2007, PennDOT officially “kicked off” its electronic safety (e-SAFETY) data collection and storage program through its contractor, Verizon Business. Prior to the start of the program, you were mailed an information packet with details on how to enroll in this voluntary program. If you have not received this information or, if after reading the information you still have questions, please call the toll-free Station Operator Hotline at: 1-888-265-5909. To view or print the e-SAFETY Program information, you can also visit PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services web site at:

http://www.dmv.state.pa.us/inspections/station_owners.shtml and click on the e-SAFETY bullet under the “Vehicle Safety Inspections” heading.

Inspection Stations wishing to transmit safety inspection data to PennDOT's Safety Inspection Information Database (SIID) must first be enrolled through Verizon Business as an e-SAFETY station. Please note that electronic inspection data will only be accepted from inspection stations enrolled in the e-SAFETY Program. In addition to the PennDOT e-SAFETY application, two third-party vendors have been approved by PennDOT to transmit data from their software applications directly from the station to the SIID. Those software applications and vendors are:

Automotive Inspection Systems L.L.C. (Motor Vehicle Inspection Reporting System) (MVIRS) 10853 Valley Street, Shirleysburg, PA 17260 Telephone: 866-376-8477 Web: www.mvirs.com E-mail: support@mvirs.com	CompuSpecctions (State Inspections Records) (SIR) 1177 Pittsburgh Road, Suite 202 Valencia, PA 16059 Telephone: 800-868-0987 FAX: 724-898-2025 Web: www.compuspections.com E-mail: info@compuspections.com
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If you have any questions, please contact the Vehicle Inspection Division at: 717-787-2895.

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