

Automobile Safety Inspection

Alabama

Alabama Department of Revenue - Alabama DMV

<https://revenue.alabama.gov/motor-vehicle/>

(334) 242-9000

noreply@mvtrip.alabama.gov

Alabama does not require an emissions inspection when registering your vehicle; however, they do require a VIN inspection for out-of-state vehicles before the registration can be complete. This is to ensure the VIN matches the number on the out-of-state title.

Motor Vehicle Division

Titles & Vehicle Inspections

P.O. Box 327640

Montgomery, AL 36132-7640

Alaska

Alaska Department of Administration - Division of Motor Vehicles

<http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/>

(907)269-5551

Doa.Dmv.Webmaster@alaska.gov

The State of Alaska requires emissions testing or I/M inspections for all vehicles. They are required for most new registrations as well as annual renewals. The emission test or I/M inspection are required to be completed every two years on existing vehicles.

Alaska Division of Motor Vehicles

3901 Old Seward Highway, Suite 101

Anchorage, AK 99503

Arizona

Arizona Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Division

<https://azdot.gov/motor-vehicle-services>

602.255.0072

https://apps.azdot.gov/contact_adot/

No smog inspection required, vehicle emissions testing is required however.

Arizona Motor Vehicle Division Inquiries

PO Box 2100, MD 555M

Phoenix, AZ 85001

Arkansas

Arkansas DMV

<https://mydmv.arkansas.gov/>

1-501-682-4692

MVInformation@dfa.arkansas.gov

Arkansas does not require annual vehicle inspections. However, the state still expects you to pay careful attention to your vehicle emissions.

Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration - Office of Motor Vehicle

Ragland Building
1900 W 7th St, Ste 1010
Little Rock, AR 72201

California

State of California Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/>

1-800-777-0133

Despite having some of the strictest smog laws in the country, there are no emissions inspections, just a VIN verification. Every two years there is a smog equipment inspection and tailpipe test in 41 out of 58 counties.

Office of the Director

Department of Motor Vehicles

2415 1st Ave., Mail Station F101

Sacramento, CA 95818-2606

Colorado

Colorado Department of Revenue - Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.colorado.gov/>

(303) 205-5603

There are just VIN verifications, and only a few counties have smog tests if you live or work in Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas or Jefferson counties you need a smog test, as well as parts of Adams, Arapahoe, Larimer, and Weld counties.

Department of Revenue

Division of Motor Vehicle

Section Name (Driver Control, Titles, Registration, etc.)

P.O. Box 173350

Denver, CO 80217-3350

Connecticut

Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/>

860-263-5700

<https://dmvcivls-wselfservice.ct.gov/DMVEmailForm/>

Most vehicles are required to pass an emissions inspection, and every two years you do need a smog test.

CT Department of Motor Vehicles

60 State Street

Wethersfield, CT 06161

Delaware

Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.de.gov/>

(302) 744-2500

DMVCustomerService@state.de.us

Every two years you must have smog and safety inspection. An exhaust emissions inspection that analyses the vehicle's exhaust and a test of the fuel system for leaks is also part of an inspection.

Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles (Dover, DE)

2230 Hessler Blvd,
New Castle, DE 19720

District of Columbia

DC Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.dc.gov/service/vehicle-inspections>

(202) 737-4404

dmv@dc.gov

Every two years you must have a smog test and inspection.

DC DMV Inspection Station

1001 Half Street, SW
Washington, DC 20024

Florida

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

<https://www.flhsmv.gov/>

1 850-617-2000

[Contact Page](#)

No smog inspections, but vehicles brought in from another state will have their VIN verified.

Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

904 - 301 Blvd. W.
Bradenton, Florida 34205

Georgia

Georgia Department of Driver Services

<https://dds.georgia.gov/>

(678) 413-8400

<https://online.dds.ga.gov/feedback/>

Georgia does not have state-wide requirements for car inspections. Only certain counties in the metropolitan Atlanta area require owners to have their cars inspected each year

Georgia Department of Driver Services

Post Office Box 80447
Conyers, GA 30013

Hawaii

Hawaii Division of Motor Vehicles & Licensing

<https://www.mauicounty.gov/1328/Motor-Vehicle-Licensing>

(808) 270-7363

maui.dmv@mauicounty.gov

There is no smog testing in Hawaii.

Hawaii Division of Motor Vehicles & Licensing
110 Alaihi Street
Suite 101
Kahului, HI 96732

Idaho

Idaho Transportation Department
<https://itd.idaho.gov/itddmv/>
(208) 334-8000

<https://apps.itd.idaho.gov/Apps/WebCommentsV2/>

Residents in Ada and Canyon counties will need a periodic smog test. There is a VIN verification if you bring a car in from out of state.

Idaho Transportation Department
3311 W. State Street
P.O. Box 7129
Boise, ID 83707-1129

Illinois

Illinois Department of Transportation
<https://idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/safety/vehicle-inspections>
217) 785-1181

<http://apps.dot.illinois.gov/WER/?from=1>

Through the On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) test, vehicle emissions inspections in Illinois identify malfunctioning emission control systems that often result in vehicles exceeding federal emission standards. Illinois Vehicle Emissions inspections Illinois vehicles are required to complete an emissions test every 2 years, beginning when it is 4 model years old.

Vehicle Inspection
Illinois Department of Transportation
Bureau of Investigations & Compliance
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL 62764

Indiana

Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles
<https://www.in.gov/bmv/registration-plates/vehicle-emissions-testing-program/>
888-692-6841
<https://mybmv.bmv.in.gov/bmv/mybmv/contact.aspx>

There are no smog inspections in Indiana, except for smog checks in the counties near Chicago, Lake and Porter Counties. Out of state vehicles will have their VIN verified at registration.

Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Indiana Government Center North
Room 402
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Iowa

Iowa DOT

<https://iowadot.gov/mvd/about>

515-237-3110

<https://iowadot.gov/AboutUs#ContactUs>

No inspections required by the DMV. Iowa does not check VIN numbers at registration unless it's a salvage title. The state of Iowa requires two different types of vehicle inspections: A vehicle identification number, or VIN, inspection on all vehicles that have been designated as SALVAGE. This inspection must be performed by a peace officer, certified with the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy.

Iowa Department of Transportation

Motor Vehicle Division

P.O. Box 9204

Des Moines, IA 50306-9204

Kansas

Kansas Department of Revenue - Division of Vehicles

<https://www.ksrevenue.org/dovtitlefaq.html>

785-296-3621, press 2 then press 1

<https://www.ksrevenue.org/contactus.html>

No smog requirements, but out of state vehicles will have their VIN checked at registration.

Kansas Division of Vehicles

Titles and Registrations Bureau

300 SW 29th St.

PO Box 12003

Topeka, KS 66601-2003

Kentucky

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - Drive Kentucky

<https://drive.ky.gov/motor-vehicle-licensing/Pages/Vehicle-Titling.aspx>

(502) 564-4890

Transportation.ky.gov

No smog inspection. A Kentucky VIN inspection is required for all cars that were purchased out of state and/or brought into KY in order to be issued a license plate.

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - Drive Kentucky

200 Mero St

Frankfort, KY

Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

<https://deq.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=motor-vehicle-inspection-and-maintenance>

(225) 219-3570 or (225) 219-3571

DEQ-Motor_Vehicle_I/M@la.gov

There are only smog checks if you live near Baton Rouge.

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
Air Planning and Assessment Division/Air Planning Section
Galvez Building
602 North Fifth Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Maine

Maine Department of Public Safety - Maine State Police
<https://www.maine.gov/dps/msp/investigation-traffic/crash-investigations/mv-inspections>
(207) 624-8935 or 624-8934
bruce.g.scott@maine.gov

Only Cumberland County has an annual smog test. On 1996 and newer cars they will check the OBD system for codes statewide.

Motor Vehicle Inspection Program
36 Hospital Street, Augusta
Mailing Address - State House Station #20
Augusta, ME 04333
Maine State Police - Traffic Division
Motor Vehicle Inspection Unit
20 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0020

Maryland

Maryland Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Administration
<https://mva.maryland.gov/vehicles/Pages/veip.aspx>
410-768-7000
MVACS@mdot.state.md.us

A bi-annual smog check is needed in 13 out of 23 counties, plus the Baltimore metro area. You can get specifics on their website.

Maryland Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Administration
6601 Ritchie Highway N.E.
Glen Burnie, MD 21062

Massachusetts

Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles
<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/vehicle-inspections>
857-368-8000
<https://www.mass.gov/forms/rmv-customer-contact-us>

The Massachusetts Vehicle Check program is the vehicle emissions testing and safety inspection program for the Commonwealth. You can get an inspection at any of the 1,800 licensed inspection stations in Massachusetts

Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles
PO Box 55889
Boston, MA 02205

Michigan

Michigan Secretary of State's Office

<https://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,4670,7-127-1627---,00.html>

(888) 767-6424

<https://mdossupport.happyfox.com/new/>

There are no annual smog checks in this state, nor do they check the VIN when you bring a car in from out of state.

Michigan Secretary of State's Office

430 W. Allegan St.

Richard H. Austin Building

- 4th Floor

Lansing, MI 48918

Minnesota

Minnesota Department of Public Safety - Driver & Vehicle Services

<https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/Pages/default.aspx>

(651) 297-2126

<https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/contact/Pages/dvsform-other-questions.aspx>

There is no inspection of any sort in this state.

Minnesota Department of Public Safety - Driver & Vehicle Services

445 Minnesota Street, Suite 190

Saint Paul MN 55101-5190

Mississippi

Mississippi Driver Service Bureau

<https://www.driverservicebureau.dps.ms.gov/>

(601) 987-1212

No inspection of any sort in this state.

Mississippi Driver Service Bureau

Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Post Office Box 948,

Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Missouri

Missouri Department of Revenue - My DMV

<https://mydmv.mo.gov/DL/Index>

573-526-3669

mvbmail@dor.mo.gov

There are no smog checks needed unless you live near St. Louis.

Missouri Department of Revenue - My DMV

Harry S Truman State Office Building

301 West High Street,

Jefferson City, MO 65101

Montana

Montana Department of Justice - Motor Vehicle Division

<https://dojmt.gov/driving/>

(406) 444-3933

mvd@mt.gov

Montana does not require smog or emission checks on any vehicle. Vehicles must undergo a VIN number inspection in Montana if a car owner needs to correct inaccurate information on the vehicle's title, or the identity of a rebuilt salvage vehicle is in question. The state also requires vehicles to undergo a car inspection service in Montana to verify that a VIN does not already exist.

Montana Department of Justice - Motor Vehicle Division

P.O. Box 201430

302 N Roberts,

Helena, MT 59620-1430

Nebraska

Nebraska DMV

<https://dmv.nebraska.gov/dvr/title/vehicle-inspection>

(402) 471-3985

<https://dmv.nebraska.gov/dvr/contact>

This state only requires an inspection to vehicles coming in from other states, otherwise no smog inspection is needed. Nebraska doesn't require an emissions test, but it does require a VIN inspection for registration purposes, along with an odometer reading.

Nebraska DMV

301 Centennial Mall South

P.O. Box 94789

Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4726

Nevada

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.nv.gov/>

(775) 684-4549

https://dmv.nv.gov/contact_us.asp

Areas of Clark and Washoe county do have annual smog tests. They also will verify your VIN if you register an out of state vehicle.

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles

555 Wright Way

Carson City, NV 89711

New Hampshire

New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://www.dmv.nh.gov/>

(603) 227-4000

NH.DMVHelp@dos.nh.gov

There are annual smog tests for vehicles made in 1996 or later.

New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles
23 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03305

New Jersey

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
<https://nj.gov/mvc/>
888.656.6867 or 609.895.6886
<https://www.state.nj.us/mvc/About/ContactEmail.htm>

There are smog tests every other year in New Jersey.

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
Customer Advocacy Office
P.O. Box 403
Trenton, NJ 08666-0403

New Mexico

New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division
<https://www.mvd.newmexico.gov/>
888-683-4636
<https://www.mvd.newmexico.gov/contact-us/>

Only the area in Bernalillo county near Albuquerque has to get smog tests. They will verify the VIN when registering an out of state vehicle though.

New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division
Joseph Montoya Building
P.O. Box 1028
1100 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe 87504-1028

New York

New York DMV
<https://dmv.ny.gov/>
1-518-486-9786 or 1-800-698-2931
https://nysdmv.custhelp.com/app/ask_home?_ga=2.201901522.2109824880.1617045558-1332099635.1606329879

Annual smog checks here, though cars more than 26 years old don't have smog tests.

New York DMV
207 Genesee Street,
Suite 6
Utica, NY 13501-2874

North Carolina

North Carolina DMV
<https://www.ncdot.gov/DMV/Pages/default.aspx>
(919-715-7000)

<https://www.ncdot.gov/dmv/contact/Pages/default.aspx>

In the 48 most populated counties (out of 100) there are annual smog tests for cars made since 1996.

North Carolina DMV

3101 Mail Service Center

Raleigh, NC 27699-3101

North Dakota

North Dakota Department of Transportation

<https://www.dot.nd.gov/>

701-328-2500

dot@nd.gov

There are no inspections in North Dakota, they don't even need to verify your VIN when you come from outside the state

North Dakota Department of Transportation

608 East Boulevard Avenue

Bismarck, ND 58505-0700

Ohio

Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles

<https://bmv.ohio.gov/>

(844) 644-6268

<https://bmvonline.dps.ohio.gov/Home/ContactUs>

There are smog checks every other year if you live in the Cleveland area.

Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles

P.O. Box 16520

Columbus, Ohio 43216-6520

Oklahoma

Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission

<https://www.ok.gov/omvc/>

405-607-8227

email@omvc.ok.gov

There are no smog inspections here, but out of state vehicles must have the VIN verified when they are registered.

Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission

4334 NW Expressway Suite 183

Oklahoma City, OK 73116

Oregon

Oregon DMV - Driver & Motor Vehicle Services

<https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/pages/index.aspx>

1-503-945-5000

david.j.house@state.or.us

Residents of the Portland and Medford area must get smog checks. Out of state vehicles must be VIN verified.

Oregon DMV - Driver & Motor Vehicle Services
1905 Lana Ave NE
Salem, OR 97314

Pennsylvania

PennDOT Driver & Vehicle Services

<https://www.dmv.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

717-412-5300

<https://www.dot.state.pa.us/internet/web.nsf/ECSEmailForm?OpenForm>

In some more heavily populated counties there are smog test requirements.

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

1101 South Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17104

Rhode Island

State of Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles

<http://www.dmv.ri.gov/>

(401) 462-4368

<https://dmv.ri.gov/locations-hours/contact-us>

Every two years drivers in Rhode Island must have their cars inspected for both safety and smog controls.

State of Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles

600 New London Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920-3024

South Carolina

South Carolina DMV

<http://www.scdmvonline.com/>

803-896-5000

help@scdmv.online.com

There is no emissions testing required for vehicles in South Carolina, but residents should be aware of standards in other U.S. states. A smog test is required if a resident moves from South Carolina to another state in the future. Cars must meet smog certification requirements and undergo vehicle emission testing to apply for or renew a car registration. A state car emission test is designed to meet state and federal emissions standards, regulated on the federal level by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

South Carolina DMV

PO Box 1498
Blythewood, SC 29016

South Dakota

South Dakota Dept. of Revenue - Motor Vehicle Division

<https://dor.sd.gov/individuals/motor-vehicle/>

(605) 773-3541

motorv@state.sd.us

South Dakota is one of only a handful of states that don't require vehicle emissions testing of any kind.

South Dakota Dept. of Revenue - Motor Vehicle Division

445 East Capitol Avenue

Pierre, SD 57501

Tennessee

Tennessee Dept. of Safety & Homeland Security - Driver Services Division

<https://www.tn.gov/safety/driver-services.html>

(615) 251-5166

Email.Safety@tn.gov

Tennessee requires most vehicles in certain counties undergo emissions inspections prior to vehicle registration and registration renewal, including those of new residents. Emissions inspections cost \$9 and multiple stations are located throughout the counties. Inspection exemptions are available for temporarily out-of-area or out-of-state vehicles.

Tennessee Dept. of Safety & Homeland Security - Driver Services Division

312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue

Nashville, TN 37243

Texas

Texas DMV

<https://www.txdmv.gov/>

1 (888) 368-4689 or (512) 465-4029

<https://www.txdmv.gov/contact-us#contact-us-online>

Vehicle inspection to ensure the automobile is not emitting too much smoke. An inspection is also required when you register your vehicle. The total Texas vehicle inspection time lasts no more than 10 to 15 minutes. Vehicle inspections in Texas are good for two years if the vehicle is new and purchased from a dealership. Otherwise, they are good for one year.

Texas DMV

4000 Jackson Avenue

Austin, Texas 78731

Utah

Utah Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.utah.gov/>

(800-368-8824)

dmv@utah.gov

Emissions testing in UT is required every 2 years on all vehicles registered in Davis, Salt Lake, Utah and Weber counties with model years less than 6 years old. Testing is conducted on an odd/even basis, meaning that vehicles with odd-numbered model years are tested on odd-numbered calendar years and vehicles with even-numbered model years are tested during even-numbered years. In Cache County, vehicles are not required to be inspected during the first 5 years after manufacturing. Vehicles that are 6

or more model years old must obtain a smog certification every other year, on the same odd/even basis described above. Some vehicles, including older models without OBDII systems, will have a tailpipe inspection where an instrument inserted into the tailpipe captures and measures emission gases. Other types of emissions testing may take place as part of a full vehicle inspection, depending on the age of the vehicle and the type of fuel it uses. In Utah County, emissions testing is not required on diesel vehicles of any age.

Utah State Tax Commission
Motor Vehicle Division
P.O. Box 30412
Salt Lake City, UT 84130

Vermont

Vermont DMV

<https://dmv.vermont.gov/avip>

802 828-2000 or 802 828-2094

<https://dmv.vermont.gov/contact/dealers-and-inspection-stations>

Inspection stations in Vermont are privately owned and operated by their business partners. Emissions inspections have been required since 1997.

Vermont DMV

120 State Street,

Montpelier Vermont, 05603-0001

Virginia

Virginia DMV

<https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/#/>

(804) 497-7100

<https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/dmv-contactus/#/>

Eligible vehicles in Virginia, in qualifying areas, require emissions testing before vehicle registration and every 2 years after that. In some cases, an emissions test extension is granted.

Virginia DMV

P.O. Box 27412

Richmond, VA 23269

Washington

Washington State Department of Licensing

<https://www.dol.wa.gov/>

360.902.3600

The areas of Clark County, King County, Pierce County, Snohomish County, and Spokane County have smog checks. They will also inspect your VIN when you register an out of state vehicle. After 38 years, Washington's vehicle emission check program ended Jan. 1, 2020. An emissions test is no longer required before renewing your vehicle registration.

Teresa Berntsen, Agency Director

Washington State Department of Licensing

PO Box 9020

Olympia, WA 98507-9020

West Virginia

West Virginia DMV

<https://transportation.wv.gov/dmv/Pages/default.aspx>

(304) 558-3900

DOT.DMVCommissioner@wv.gov

While there are no smog checks deep in the heart of coal country, you will have to get a safety inspection every year.

West Virginia DMV

5707 MacCorkle Avenue, SE

Charleston, WV 25317

Wisconsin

Wisconsin Department of Transportation – DMV

<https://wisconsin.gov/dmv/pages/online-srvcs/external/dmv.aspx>

(608) 264-7447

<https://trust.dot.state.wi.us/eif/emailInq.do?action=lookUpInquiry>

If you live in Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Washington, or Waukesha County you'll need to get a smog check. However, only cars made in 1996 and later need to be tested.

Wisconsin Department of Transportation – DMV

4822 Madison Yards Way

P.O. Box 7910

Madison, WI 53707-7910

Wyoming

Wyoming Dept. of Transportation

http://www.dot.state.wy.us/home/driver_license_records/frequently-asked-questions.html

(307) 777-4375 or 307-777-4800

<https://webapp.dot.state.wy.us/ao/f?p=ContactWYDOT:1>

Wyoming has no smog testing requirements, but they will have to verify the VIN number for you to register your out of state vehicle.

Wyoming Dept. of Transportation

5300 Bishop Blvd.

Cheyenne, WY 82009-3340