BEFORE YOU TEST

ONGOING VEHICLE MAINTENANCE is the best way to help your vehicle run efficiently and pass inspection.

TEST EARLY. We recommend having your vehicle tested 4-6 weeks prior to the registration renewal date to allow ample time for any needed repairs and retests. IF BUYING A USED VEHICLE: By law, it is the seller's responsibility (if the seller is located within the 13-county testing area*) to provide a valid passing emissions inspection at the time of sale if the vehicle being sold is to be registered by the buyer in one of the 13 metro-Atlanta covered counties.

* Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Paulding and Rockdale County.



If your MIL (malfunction indicator light — "Check Engine" or "Service Engine Soon" light) is on, your vehicle will not pass the inspection. This is a definite indication of one or more emissions-related problems detected by your vehicle's OBD computer. The problem may be as minor as a loose fuel cap or as major as an emissions control system failure. AFTER YOU TEST



12 AN INSPECTION IS VALID for 12 months.

However, the inspection can only be used once by the same owner for registration renewal. If you purchase a used vehicle which has a passing inspection, you may use it for your INITIAL registration provided the inspection is less than 12 months old at the time you register the vehicle.

DATA ENTRY ERROR: If an inspector enters any incorrect vehicle information (VIN, year, model, mileage, etc.) when performing an inspection, another initial test must be performed at **no cost** to the motorist in order to correct the error. An inspector cannot use the motorist's free retest to correct an inspection error.

CHALLENGE OF TEST'S ACCURACY: If you have a valid reason to dispute the



- You have the right to view the inspection from a designated viewing area as it is being performed.
- (S) The maximum cost that can be charged for an emissions inspection is \$25.
- Asking for or offering to falsely "pass" a vehicle is illegal and subject to criminal

MOTORISTS' RIGHTS AND TIPS FOR TESTING method or accuracy of your inspection, you have the right to request a Referee Test within 15 days of the inspection. Contact a GCAF Service Center for more information.

COMMENTS? If you wish to provide a comment about your testing experience, see the Q&A brochure/business card for details on how to submit a comment card via mail or email. Visit <u>www.cleanairforce.com/contact-us</u> for additional ways to submit feedback.

IF YOUR VEHICLE DOES NOT PASS

- conviction and fines.
- - Inspectors must wear a GCAF photo ID badge where it is clearly visible when performing an inspection. This is your assurance that a properly trained inspector, currently licensed by the state, performed your inspection.
 - Emissions inspection stations are required by the state of Georgia to have and maintain specified minimal levels of liability insurance.

EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE

SENIOR EXEMPTION: If you are the primary registered owner AND are 65 or older AND your vehicle is at least 10 years old AND you drive it less than 5,000 miles per year, you may apply for a Senior Exemption at your county tag office or a GCAF Service Center.

EXEMPT VEHICLES: The three most recent model years, vehicles 25 years old or older, vehicles with a GVWR (gross vehicle weight rating) of greater than 8,500 pounds, motorcycles, recreational vehicles (RVs), motor homes, and vehicles operated exclusively on diesel or another alternative fuel.

VEHICLE'S EMISSIONS

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- A FREE RETEST may be obtained if you return to the original inspection station within 30 days of the initial inspection (the timeframe includes the day of the initial inspection).
- The inspector must give you a GCAF Q&A brochure or business card and Emissions Repair Form.
- Inspectors are also required to inform motorists of the REPAIRWATCH PUBLIC REPORT, which lists repair shops by zip code having an 80% or better success rate in emissions-related repairs.
- PRIOR TO AUTHORIZING REPAIRS, we recommend researching recalls, technical service bulletins (TSBs), and manufacturer and federal* warranties regarding your vehicle's emissions control system.
- If emissions-related repairs exceed the Repair Waiver limit amount, ask about the qualifications for a Repair Waiver (see Q&A brochure/business card for details).

* FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES that the catalytic converter and on-board computer for 1995 and newer model year vehicles be warranted by the manufacturer for 8 years or 80,000 miles.

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