



SUBJECT: Implementation of new 2016 Vehicle Inspection Manual

PURPOSE OF CIRCULAR

To advise that on **July 1, 2016**, a new Vehicle Inspection Manual (VIM) will be enacted by Minister's Regulation.

BACKGROUND

Vehicle Inspection Manual – contains comprehensive and specific inspection criterion that outlines the minimum mechanical standards for vehicles to operate on highway in BC. Other associated policy documents to the Vehicle Inspection Manual include the Vehicle Inspection Guide.

The VIM is a required document for all licenced designated inspection facility's and is primarily utilized by authorized inspectors to ensure vehicles subject to inspection meet all required and applicable safety standards prior to issuance of a certificate of approval decal.

APPLICATION

CVSE will provide a 90 day transitional period to **September 30, 2016**, to provide ample opportunity for all facility operators and authorized inspectors to obtain and familiarize themselves with the new standards and inspection criteria. Following this transition period, enforcement under applicable Motor Vehicle Act Regulations will commence for any regulatory or program violations.

The Vehicle Inspection Manual and the associated documents are available through the Queen's Printer of BC at <http://www.vsis.qp.gov.bc.ca>. Additional information, bulletins, notices and circulars are available from the CVSE website at www.cvse.ca – under "Vehicle Inspections & Standards".

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Haywood".

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