



Vehicle Safety and Standards

NOTICE

To All Designated Inspection Facilities and Authorized Inspectors

Re: Release of 2016 Vehicle Inspection Manual (VIM)

On **July 1, 2016**, a new version of the British Columbia Vehicle Inspection Manual was released by Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement. This manual replaces the Vehicle Inspection Manual (2010). There is a **90 day transitional period** to provide opportunity for all facility operators and authorized inspectors to obtain the new standards and become familiar with both the format and content of the new Manual. This transitional period expires on **September 30, 2016**.

Effective **September 30, 2016**, the 2016 vehicle inspection manual is the required reference for all mechanical standards and vehicle inspections. All inspections conducted by Authorized Inspectors at Designated Inspection Facility's must inspect to the criteria noted in the 2016 version and ensure that all inspected vehicles meet minimum requirements and are in compliance prior to issuance a certificate of approval.

The Vehicle Inspection Manual (2010) is effectively repealed on **September 30, 2016**.

As a reminder, all DIFs must have a version of the new VIM as a requirement of both the Motor Vehicle Act Regulations and Vehicle Inspection Program licencing.

Application

All provincial vehicle inspections must be conducted in accordance with all criteria and standards contained in the new Manual to be considered compliant with *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations* and Inspection Program requirements. Any regulatory violations or matters of non-compliance with Inspection Program requirements may result in enforcement action against facility operators and / or authorized inspectors.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the new Vehicle Inspection Regulation manual or any of the related documents, please contact your local area vehicle inspector found at http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/cvse/vehicle_inspections/PDF/MVI_Phone_List.pdf, or Geoff.Ford@gov.bc.ca by phone at 250-953-4039.

Regards,

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