

Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement Branch

Vehicle Inspections & Standards



To All Authorized Inspectors and Inspection Facilities

RE: Authorized Inspector Salvage Vehicle Endorsements – Knowledge Test

This is an advisement to all Authorized Inspectors (AI) and inspection facilities that AI Certificates will now include a Salvage Vehicle Endorsement, which will be verified when submitting online inspections through the Vehicle Safety BC Portal (VSBCP).

Background

To ensure consistency throughout the Vehicle Inspection Program (VIP), Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement now requires any AI who wishes to add the Salvage Vehicle Endorsement to their Certificate to take and pass a knowledge test pertaining to the Salvage Vehicle Inspection Process. Als seeking this endorsement will be required to write and pass the knowledge test administered by your local Area Vehicle Inspector.

Application

Effective <u>March 31, 2022</u>, the VSBCP will prevent all facilities from submitting Salvage vehicle inspections unless the AI who is conducting the inspection is also specifically endorsed to conduct salvage inspections by the VIP.

It is recommended that all facility operators and Als review VI Notice 04-13 - Structural Integrity Inspection Process. This notice is posted to the Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement website <u>here</u>. The intent of the notice is to clearly define the Structural Integrity Inspection Process, advise on applicable standards and outline the regulatory requirements for facilities and Als when performing a complete inspection on a salvage vehicle. Facilities and Als should discuss all applicable requirements and expectations with their local Area Vehicle Inspector.

Following the implementation date, Als that wish to add the Salvage Vehicle Endorsement to their certificate may contact their local <u>Area Vehicle Inspector</u> to take the structural knowledge test.

All inspection facility license and Al Certificate conditions, approved vehicle class(es), restrictions and endorsements are indicated on the license or certificate issued by the VIP. Both inspection facilities and Als must have specific licensing, certification, and applicable endorsements to conduct and submit mechanical vehicle inspections. Any facility or Al that conducts or submits vehicle inspections contrary to any of the indicated license or certification vehicle classes, conditions, restrictions, and/or endorsements may be considered an improper or non-compliant inspection and is subject to enforcement action.

Any questions or concerns with the information above, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Vehicle Inspection Program at <u>Vehicle.Inspections@gov.bc.ca</u> or 778-974-5458.

Regards,

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