

Vehicle Inspection and Standards Bulletin

Re: Inspecting Commercial Vehicle Exhaust Systems

Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement has received numerous complaints regarding excessive exhaust noise emitted from commercial vehicles, particularly within or close to populated areas. These complaints increase during the summer months and enforcement agencies may conduct roadside vehicle inspections to ensure the vehicle is in compliance with the Motor Vehicle Act Regulations, including the Vehicle Inspection Manual criteria.

The purpose of this letter is to remind all Designated Inspection Facilities and Authorized Inspectors that the exhaust system, including the muffler, are part of the Truck and Power Unit inspection criteria, as outlined in the Vehicle Inspection Manual.

Authorized Inspectors must ensure the vehicle inspected meets the applicable inspection criteria, which includes a properly functioning exhaust system, before issuing a certificate of approval.

Questions may be directed to your local Motor Vehicle Inspector. Contact numbers can be obtained from Enquiry BC @ 1-800-663-7867.

Yours truly,



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