

Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement

Vehicle Inspection and Standards <u>NOTICE</u>

To All Inspection Facilities and Authorized Inspectors

This notice applies to **ALL** Authorized Inspectors and Inspection Facilities that are authorized to conduct inspections of commercial and private vehicles under the *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations*, Division 25.

Re: Authorized Inspector Certification

Effective immediately, the Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement Branch (CVSE) of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is no longer issuing credit card style authorized inspector cards.

The plastic cards have been replaced with a Certificate of Qualification. This new Certificate of Qualification is valid for a two year period. The certificate will be emailed to the Authorized Inspector at the email address specified by the Inspector on the renewal application. The Authorized Inspector is required to print the certificate on a light colored paper (white is recommended) to ensure the document is clearly legible.

The new Certificate of Qualification must be displayed in a conspicuous location at the inspection facility and the original blue certificate should be removed from display and returned to the inspector. Every time a new or replacement certificate is issued, the old certificate must be replaced with the new certificate and displayed at the facility. When an Inspector ceases to work for a facility, the Authorized Inspector Certificate must be returned to the inspector.

Re: Authorized Inspector and Inspection Facility Renewal Changes

Beginning in 2010, Inspection Facility and Authorized Inspector renewal application forms will not be mailed out six weeks prior to expiry. The VIP eForm system will alert the eForm user of the pending expiry date of the facility designation or inspector authorization. The VIP eForm system will instruct the user to access the renewal form(s) on the internet.

The Facility and Authorized Inspector renewal forms are now available on the www.cvse.ca website under Vehicle Inspections, Vehicle Inspection Forms or http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/CVSE/vehicle_inspections/inspection_forms.htm

Please visit the CVSE website often for information and program updates.

This notice is also an important reminder to facilities that all printed inspection reports must be signed by the authorized inspector who conducted the inspection and that signed copies must be retained at the facility for a minimum of 18 months.

You may contact us by phone at 250 952-0577 (Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm).

Email inquiries may be sent to vehicle.inspections@gov.bc.ca.

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