

8. Has in its possession any motor vehicle, major motor vehicle component part or component part as defined in N.J.S.A. 39:10B-1 or replacement parts on which the vehicle identification number or other identification affixed thereto in accordance with Federal theft prevention standards has been removed, altered, defaced, destroyed, or so covered as to be concealed; or

9. For other good cause.

13:20-2.15 Additional penalties

Where, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:3-75.1 et seq. or any regulation adopted thereunder, the Director has the authority to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the registration of a sun-screening material installation facility, the Director shall also have the authority to impose an official warning as an alternative or in addition to such suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew.

13:20-2.16 Investigations

(a) The Director, or any person designated by him or her, shall have the power to investigate and gather evidence of violations of N.J.S.A. 39:3-75.1 et seq., or of any regulation adopted thereunder, by a sun-screening material installation facility.

(b) The Director, or any person designated by him or her, shall have the power to conduct investigations, administer oaths, interrogate registrants, issue subpoenas, summonses and/or complaints, and compel witnesses to appear at any hearing.

(c) Except as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.11(k), subpoenas shall be served in the same manner, and witnesses shall be entitled to the same fees, as in the case of subpoenas issued out of the Superior Court of New Jersey.

(d) In the case of a failure of any person to comply with any subpoena issued pursuant to this subchapter or to testify with respect to any matter concerning which he or she may be lawfully interrogated, the Superior Court, on application of the Director, may be requested to issue an order requiring the attendance of such person and the giving of testimony or production of evidence. Any person failing to obey the order of the court may be punished by the court for contempt.

(e) In addition to the authority set forth in (a) above, New Jersey State Police officers and Division of Consumer Affairs investigators are hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of this subchapter.

13:20-2.17 Written notice of suspension or revocation or refusal to issue or renew registration

(a) The Director shall notify the applicant, in writing by certified mail, of any refusal to issue or renew a sun-screening material installation facility registration and the grounds thereof. Written notice shall be mailed to the applicant at the address listed on the application or to the place of business on record with the Division.

(b) The Director shall notify the registrant, in writing by certified mail, of any proposed suspension or revocation of the sun-screening material installation facility registration and the grounds thereof. Written notice shall be mailed to the place of business on record with the Division. Unless the registrant files with the Director a written request for a hearing in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.18, the sun-screening material installation facility registration shall be suspended or revoked on the date specified in such notice.

13:20-2.18 Request for hearing

(a) If an applicant has been notified in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.17(a) that the Director refuses to issue or renew a sun-screening material installation facility registration, the applicant shall be entitled to an administrative hearing concerning such refusal provided that the applicant has filed and the Director has received a written request for a hearing within 15 days. The 15-day period shall commence on the date such notice was mailed to the applicant by the Division in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.17(a).

(b) If a registrant has been notified in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.17(b) of a proposed suspension or revocation of its sun-screening material installation facility registration, the registrant shall be entitled to an administrative hearing concerning such proposed suspension or revocation provided that the registrant has filed and the Director has received a written request for a hearing within 15 days. The 15-day period shall commence on the date such notice was mailed to the registrant by the Division in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.17(b).

(c) Any written request for a hearing by an applicant or registrant shall be sent to the Motor Vehicle Sun-Screening Material Installation Facility Registration Unit of the Division at the address specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-2.4(a). The hearing request shall contain the following information:

1. The name, registration number, place of business, and telephone number of the sun-screening material installation facility;
2. A concise statement of facts constituting each ground of defense;
3. A specific admission, denial, or explanation of each fact alleged by the Division in its notice or order to show cause, or if without knowledge thereof, a statement to that effect; any allegation in the Division's notice or order to show cause which is not answered in accordance with this paragraph shall be deemed to have been admitted; and
4. A statement requesting a hearing.

(d) If the applicant or registrant does not file a written request for a hearing in accordance with (a), (b), or (c) above, the suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew the sun-screening material installation facility registration shall be effective on the date specified in such notice. The sun-screening material installation facility shall cease all activities of the business of a sun-screening material installation facility effective on the date specified in such notice.

13:20-2.19 Hearing procedures

Any hearing concerning the suspension, revocation, or refusal to issue or renew a sun-screening material installation facility registration shall be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and the Uniform Administrative Procedure Rules, N.J.A.C. 1:1.

13:20-2.20 Limitations on issuance of registration after suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew

(a) No person whose renewal application for a sun-screening material installation facility registration is refused shall be entitled to apply for a registration pursuant to this subchapter for a period of one year from the effective date of such refusal.

(b) No person whose registration is suspended or revoked shall be entitled to apply for a registration pursuant to this subchapter during the period of suspension or revocation.

13:20-2.21 Registration restoration

(a) A fee of \$50.00 shall be payable to the Division for the restoration of a sun-screening material installation facility registration which is suspended or revoked pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:3-75.1 et seq. or this subchapter. Such registration restoration fee shall be paid to the Division before the registration may be restored.

(b) Each suspension or revocation of any sun-screening material installation facility registration, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:3-75.1 et seq. or any regulation adopted thereunder, shall continue in force and effect until such registration is restored by the Director.

(c) In the case of every suspension or revocation of a sun-screening material installation facility registration for a fixed period of time, the registrant, as a condition precedent to restoration, shall make application to the Director, in such form as the Director may determine, and pay the registration restoration fee specified in (a) above. The Director may, upon notice and an opportunity to be heard, deny any application for restoration of a sun-screening material installation facility registration for good cause.

SUBCHAPTER 3. (RESERVED)

SUBCHAPTER 4. POWER STEERING INSTALLATION**13:20-4.1 Permitted power steering device**

Any power steering device installed in a motor vehicle, offered for sale, sold or registered in the State of New Jersey, shall be of a type which will permit the continued use of the power steering mechanism under manual control in the event of the failure of the power unit.

13:20-4.2 Equipment approval

(a) All power steering equipment on motor vehicles offered for sale, sold or registered in the State of New Jersey, must be approved by the Director.

(b) A certificate of approval will be issued on presentation of satisfactory evidence that the equipment is of a type which can be used manually in the event of failure of the power unit. (Affidavits or statements from new car manufacturers to the above effect will be acceptable.)

SUBCHAPTER 5. MANUAL DOOR EQUIPMENT**13:20-5.1 Purpose**

The provisions of this Subchapter are promulgated for the purpose of preventing the entrapment of persons in motor vehicles.

13:20-5.2 Manual opening of doors

All vehicles registered in New Jersey must be equipped with some means of opening the doors manually from within the vehicle and vehicles must be equipped with outside door handles or equivalent devices.

13:20-5.3 Exceptions

This Subchapter shall not apply to vehicles used for the transportation of persons in the custody of law enforcement officers; provided, however, that in such cases, in addition to the driver, there is on duty in the vehicle at least one other person capable of opening the doors in the event of accident.

SUBCHAPTER 6. MUFFLER DEVICES**13:20-6.1 Prohibitory muffler devices**

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:3-43, the use upon any motor vehicle of a straight exhaust pipe, or a muffler or mufflers lacking interior baffle plates or other effective muffling devices is expressly prohibited.

SUBCHAPTER 7. VEHICLE INSPECTION**13:20-7.1 Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Certificate of approval” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility, a licensed private inspection facility, or a State specialty inspection facility certifying that a motor vehicle complies with the requirements of Title 39 and Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, N.J.A.C. 13:20-43, 32 or 33, whichever is applicable, and N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 regarding the inspection of motor vehicles.

“Certificate of waiver” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility evidencing that a motor vehicle has successfully passed a safety inspection but that the requirements of compliance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43 and the rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection pertaining to emission inspection standards have been waived by the Division for the particular inspection cycle for which the waiver is granted.

“Director” means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Division” means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Gross vehicle weight rating” or “GVWR” means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or combination (articulated) vehicle.

“Official inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that the State Treasurer has contracted for pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 1995, c.112.

“Private inspection facility” means any person, partnership, or corporation licensed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-44 to perform the motor vehicle inspections required by N.J.S.A. 39:8-1.

“State specialty inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that is operated by the Division to inspect certain motor vehicles as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3(d).

New Rule, R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.1, Adjustments, corrections, or repairs, recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

13:20-7.2 Inspection of motor vehicles; test frequency; exempt vehicles

(a) Motor vehicles subject to inspection pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 shall be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

(b) The following vehicles, some of which may be subject to inspection under other provisions of law or regulation, shall be exempt from the inspection requirements of this subchapter.

1. Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:3-27.4;

2. Collector motor vehicles;
3. Motorized bicycles;
4. Farm tractors and traction equipment;
5. Farm machinery and implements;
6. Fire trucks having a GVWR of more than 8,500 pounds;
7. In-transit construction equipment registered pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-30;
8. Diesel-fueled motor vehicles having a GVWR of 10,000 pounds or more that are required to be inspected by the owner or lessee of the vehicle in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-26;
9. Omnibuses having a seating capacity of 10 passengers or more which are subject to inspection by the Division's Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit;
10. School buses which are subject to inspection by the Division's School Bus Inspection Unit in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:3B-18 et seq.; and
11. Tactical military vehicles operated on Federal installations within this State.

New Rule, R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Former N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.2, Immediate repairs, recodified to N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (b), substituted “having” for “, other than omnibuses and school buses, have” following “vehicles” in 8, added a new 10, and recodified former 10 as 11.

13:20-7.3 Inspection facilities

(a) Motor vehicles subject to inspection pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 shall have the inspection performed at an official inspection facility, a licensed private inspection facility, or a State specialty inspection facility, as provided in this section.

(b) Official inspection facilities shall perform inspections on automobiles, trucks, modified buses with a capacity of not more than 15 passengers which have been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division, and motorcycles. Official inspection facilities shall not perform inspections on modified buses with a capacity of more than 15 passengers, school buses, buses which are subject to inspection by the Division's Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit, jitneys as defined in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.2, or motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37.

(c) Licensed private inspection facilities shall perform inspections on automobiles, trucks, buses (including modified buses regardless of passenger capacity which have been

issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division), jitneys as defined in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.2, and motorcycles. Licensed private inspection facilities shall not perform inspections on school buses, buses which are subject to inspection by the Division's Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit, or motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37.

(d) State specialty inspection facilities shall perform inspections on motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37, motor vehicles which are operated by handicapped persons and which have been modified at the direction of the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services so that such vehicles are fully controlled by specially designed mechanical devices for the handicapped, reconstructed vehicles as defined in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.2, salvage motor vehicles which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:21-22, modified buses regardless of passenger capacity which have been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division, any motor vehicle which the Director may require to be presented for inspection for auditing purposes, and any motor vehicle which has failed inspection at an official inspection facility or a licensed private inspection facility which is presented for reinspection by the owner or lessee thereof because he or she disputes the inspection failure.

(e) Notwithstanding (d) above, following successful completion of inspection at a State specialty inspection facility, motor vehicles which are operated by handicapped persons and which have been modified at the direction of the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services so that such vehicles are fully controlled by specially designed mechanical devices for the handicapped, reconstructed vehicles as defined in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.2, and salvage motor vehicles which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:21-22 shall thereafter be inspected at an official inspection facility or a licensed private inspection facility.

New Rule, R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

13:20-7.4 Temporary authorization certificates; period of validity

(a) Whenever a motor vehicle, which has been previously registered other than on a temporary basis in a foreign jurisdiction, is initially registered in this State, the registrant thereof shall be issued a temporary authorization certificate. Such motor vehicle shall be presented for inspection at an official inspection facility or a licensed private inspection facility within 14 days of the date of issuance of the temporary authorization certificate. The motor vehicle shall thereafter be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

(b) Whenever a new motor vehicle, which has been purchased in a foreign jurisdiction and temporarily registered therein, is initially registered by the purchaser in this State, the registrant thereof shall be issued a temporary authorization certificate. Such motor vehicle shall be presented at the exit end of an official inspection facility for the issuance of a new motor vehicle inspection decal within 14 days of the date of issuance of the temporary authorization certificate. A new motor vehicle receiving a decal pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to inspection not later than two years from the last day of the calendar month in which the decal was issued for such motor vehicle, and the decal affixed to such motor vehicle pursuant to this subsection shall so indicate. The motor vehicle shall thereafter be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

(c) Whenever a used motor vehicle, which has been purchased in this or any other State and which has affixed thereto an unexpired New Jersey inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver, is initially registered by the purchaser in this State, the registrant thereof shall either:

1. Present such motor vehicle for inspection at an official inspection facility or a licensed private inspection facility within 14 days of the date of issuance of the temporary authorization certificate. The motor vehicle shall thereafter be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation; or
2. Present such motor vehicle for inspection at an official inspection facility or a licensed private inspection facility no later than the expiration date of the New Jersey inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver affixed to the motor vehicle. The motor vehicle shall thereafter be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

(d) Whenever a used motor vehicle, which has been purchased in this or any other State and which does not have affixed thereto an unexpired New Jersey inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver, is initially registered by the purchaser in this State, the registrant thereof shall be issued a temporary authorization certificate. Such motor vehicle shall be presented for inspection at an official inspection facility or a licensed private inspection facility within 14 days of the date of issuance of the temporary authorization certificate. The motor vehicle shall thereafter be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

(e) Whenever a used motor vehicle, which has been purchased in this State and which has affixed thereto a collector motor vehicle windshield sticker issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.2(e), is initially registered by the purchaser in this State, the windshield sticker shall be deemed void and the registrant thereof shall be issued a temporary authorization certificate and shall either:

13:20-30.12 Compliance with diesel emission standards, equipment requirements, and test procedures; periodic inspection

(a) Except as otherwise provided in P.L. 1995, c.157, diesel-powered school buses registered in New Jersey shall be subject to applicable diesel emission standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-14, an examination of the muffler and diesel emission control apparatus pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:27-14, and diesel test procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:27B-4.

(b) Diesel-powered school buses registered in New Jersey shall be subject to periodic inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-30.5(a) at the premises or places of business of the owner or lessee of such vehicles to determine compliance with (a) above.

New Rule, R.1997 d.392, effective September 15, 1997.
See: 29 N.J.R. 1264(a), 29 N.J.R. 4149(a).

SUBCHAPTER 31. (RESERVED)

SUBCHAPTER 32. INSPECTION STANDARDS AND TEST PROCEDURES TO BE USED BY OFFICIAL INSPECTION FACILITIES

13:20-32.1 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Certificate of approval” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility, a licensed private inspection facility, or a State specialty inspection facility certifying that a motor vehicle complies with the requirements of Title 39 and Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, N.J.A.C. 13:20-43, this subchapter or N.J.A.C. 13:20-33, whichever is applicable, and N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 regarding the inspection of motor vehicles.

“Certificate of waiver” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility evidencing that a motor vehicle has successfully passed a safety inspection but that the requirements of compliance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43 and the rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection pertaining to emission inspection standards have been waived by the Division for the particular inspection cycle for which the waiver is granted.

“Director” means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Division” means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Gross vehicle weight rating” or “GVWR” means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or combination (articulated) vehicle.

“Official inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that the State Treasurer has contracted for pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 1995, c.112.

“Private inspection facility” means any person, partnership, or corporation licensed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-44 to perform the motor vehicle inspections required by N.J.S.A. 39:8-1.

“State specialty inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that is operated by the Division to inspect certain motor vehicles as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3(d).

13:20-32.2 General provisions; official inspection facilities

(a) This subchapter contains the inspection standards and test procedures to be used by official inspection facilities when inspecting and certifying automobiles, trucks, modified buses with a capacity of not more than 15 passengers which have been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division, and motorcycles for compliance with inspection standards.

(b) Official inspection facilities shall be authorized to engage in the inspection, reinspection and certification of automobiles, trucks, modified buses with a capacity of not more than 15 passengers which have been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division, and motorcycles; provided, however, official inspection facilities shall not inspect modified buses with a capacity of more than 15 passengers, school buses, buses which are subject to inspection by the Division’s Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit, jitneys as defined in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.2, or motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37.

(c) An official inspection facility shall be authorized to affix an inspection certificate of approval on a motor vehicle upon:

1. Initial inspection as certification of compliance with inspection requirements; and
2. Reinspection as certification that defects for which the motor vehicle was initially rejected have been repaired, adjusted, or corrected to bring the motor vehicle into compliance with inspection requirements.

(d) An official inspection facility shall be authorized to affix a certificate of waiver on a motor vehicle which satisfies all of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.13.

(e) If an automobile, truck, or modified bus with a capacity of not more than 15 passengers registered in New Jersey conforms to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, the motor vehicle shall be certified by an official inspection facility by removing the previous inspection certificate of approval, certificate of waiver, or inspection rejection sticker, if any, and replacing it with a current inspection certificate of approval. The inspection certificate of approval issued by an official inspection facility shall be affixed to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle, approximately three inches from the bottom of the windshield and approximately four inches from the left side of the windshield, but in every case, the inspection certificate of approval shall be completely visible from the front of the motor vehicle. The inspection certificate of approval shall be affixed in an upright position.

(f) If an automobile, truck, or modified bus with a capacity of not more than 15 passengers registered in New Jersey does not conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5, an official inspection facility shall present the motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card for such motor vehicle to the operator thereof, and shall affix an inspection rejection sticker to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle directly above the previous certificate of approval or certificate of waiver, if any, affixed to the windshield. If there is no previous certificate of approval or certificate of waiver affixed to the windshield, an official inspection facility shall affix an inspection rejection sticker and a numerical month indicator to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle. If the motor vehicle that has failed inspection is a used motor vehicle that has been presented for inspection upon transfer of ownership in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.4(c)1, 7.4(d), or 7.4(e)1, an official inspection facility shall remove the previous inspection certificate of approval, certificate of waiver, collector motor vehicle windshield sticker, and/or inspection rejection sticker, if any, affixed to the windshield and shall affix an inspection rejection sticker and a numerical month indicator to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle. The inspection rejection sticker shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motor vehicle which has failed inspection must be made and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

(g) Notwithstanding (f) above, if an automobile, truck, or modified bus with a capacity of not more than 15 passengers registered in New Jersey does not conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 and the nature of the defect(s) found is such as to constitute a hazard to the public safety so as to require immediate repairs to such motor vehicle, an official inspection facility shall present the motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card for such motor vehicle to the operator thereof, shall remove the previous inspection certificate of approval, certificate of waiver and/or inspection rejection sticker, if any, and shall affix a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle. A defect which constitutes a hazard to the public safety so as to require immediate repairs to a motor vehicle shall include, but not be limited to, the items specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6(b). The "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker shall be an indication that the defect(s) deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety must be repaired and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6(a).

(h) If a motor vehicle registered in New Jersey satisfies all of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.13 for the issuance of a certificate of waiver, an official inspection facility shall remove the previous inspection certificate of approval, certificate of waiver and/or inspection rejection sticker and shall replace it with a current certificate of waiver. The certificate of waiver issued by an official inspection facility shall be affixed to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle, approximately three inches from the bottom of the windshield and approximately four inches from the left side of the windshield, but in every case, the certificate of waiver shall be completely visible from the front of the motor vehicle. The certificate of waiver shall be affixed in an upright position.

(i) If a motorcycle registered in New Jersey conforms to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter, the motorcycle shall be certified by an official inspection facility by affixing a current inspection certificate of approval to the right side of the rear license plate, equally centered between the upper right and lower right corners of the license plate, in such a position as to be easily visible for enforcement purposes. The inspection certificate of approval shall be affixed in an upright position. If there is a previous certificate of approval affixed to the rear license plate at the location specified in this subsection, the new certificate of approval shall be affixed so as to cover the previous certificate of approval. If there is a previous certificate of approval affixed to the rear license plate at a location other than that specified in this subsection, the new certificate of approval shall be affixed at the location specified in this subsection.

(j) If a motorcycle registered in New Jersey does not conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter, the official inspection facility shall present the inspection report or card for such motorcycle to the operator thereof. The inspection report or card shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motorcycle which has failed inspection must be made and the motorcycle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

(k) A motor vehicle inspection report, issued to an owner or lessee of a motor vehicle with elevated chassis height, a motor vehicle which has been modified at the direction of the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services, a reconstructed vehicle, or a salvage motor vehicle that is subject to inspection at a State specialty inspection facility in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3(d), shall be marked "MUST BE REINSPECTED AT A STATE SPECIALTY INSPECTION FACILITY." When a motor vehicle inspection report is marked in this manner, an official inspection facility shall neither reinspect nor certify the motor vehicle, as it must be returned to a State specialty inspection facility for such reinspection and certification.

(l) If a motor vehicle is presented at an official inspection facility for reinspection, the official inspection facility may reinspect the motor vehicle and certify it if the rejected item(s) have been repaired, adjusted, or corrected so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5, and if there are no obvious safety or emission-related defects, provided the motor vehicle is presented for reinspection within 45 days of the date of the most recent inspection rejection. If the motor vehicle is presented for reinspection after such date, or if there are obvious safety or emission-related defects, the motor vehicle shall be subject to a complete reinspection.

(m) If a motor vehicle is presented at an official inspection facility for reinspection and the rejected item(s) have not been repaired, adjusted, or corrected so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, the official inspection facility shall not issue an inspection rejection sticker to replace the inspection rejection sticker previously affixed to the motor vehicle by an official inspection facility, nor shall the official inspection facility issue an inspection rejection sticker to replace the inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver previously defaced by a licensed private inspection facility in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-33.2(l) as an indication that the motor vehicle has failed inspection.

(n) If a motor vehicle bearing a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker is presented at an official inspection facility for reinspection and the defect(s) previously deemed to

constitute a hazard to the public safety has not been repaired, the official inspection facility shall not issue a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker to replace the "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker previously affixed to the motor vehicle.

(o) Notwithstanding (m) above, if a motor vehicle bearing a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker is presented at an official inspection facility for reinspection and the defect(s) previously deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety has been repaired so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, but another rejected item(s) not deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety has not been repaired, adjusted, or corrected so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, the official inspection facility shall remove the "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker previously affixed to the motor vehicle and shall affix an inspection rejection sticker and a numerical month indicator to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle. The inspection rejection sticker shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motor vehicle must be made and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

(p) Any motor vehicle presented for initial inspection shall undergo a complete inspection. Once the inspection has commenced it shall not be terminated until the motor vehicle is either certified or rejected. An inspection may be terminated prior to completion when the condition of the motor vehicle being inspected makes it unsafe to complete such inspection.

(q) Any motor vehicle for which the current inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver has been lost, stolen, destroyed, or defaced, or any motor vehicle which has had its windshield replaced, may be presented at the exit end of an official inspection facility for the issuance of a replacement inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver. Such a replacement inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver shall be affixed to the motor vehicle provided the operator thereof presents a valid driver's license for the class of motor vehicle being operated, a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration certificate, and a valid New Jersey insurance identification card for the motor vehicle, if applicable, and further provided that there are no obvious safety or emission-related defects.

(r) Any new motor vehicle purchased in a foreign jurisdiction for which a temporary authorization certificate has been issued by the Division in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.4(b) shall be presented at the exit end of an official inspection facility for the issuance of a new motor vehicle inspection decal. A new motor vehicle receiving a decal

pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.4(b) and this subsection shall be subject to inspection not later than two years from the last day of the calendar month in which the decal was issued for such motor vehicle, and the decal affixed to such motor vehicle pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.4(b) and this subsection shall so indicate. Such a decal shall be affixed to the motor vehicle provided the operator thereof presents a valid driver's license for the class of motor vehicle being operated, a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration certificate, and a valid New Jersey insurance identification card for the motor vehicle, if applicable, and further provided that there are no obvious safety or emission-related defects.

(s) Any motor vehicle which has been found to be in proper operating condition at an on-road inspection pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-2g and which is due for inspection pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 within the two-month period following the calendar month of the on-road inspection approval may, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-29.2(a), be presented at the exit end of an official inspection facility for the issuance of an inspection certificate of approval for the biennial inspection cycle applicable to such motor vehicle. Such an inspection certificate of approval shall be affixed to the motor vehicle provided the operator thereof presents a valid driver's license for the class of motor vehicle being operated, a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration certificate, and a valid New Jersey insurance identification card for the motor vehicle, if applicable, and further provided that there are no obvious safety or emission-related defects.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (f), substituted "7:27B-5" for "7:27B-4" and added the third sentence; in (l), substituted "7:27B-5" for "7:27B-4" and substituted "45 days of the date of the most recent inspection rejection" for "the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5, 7.6(a) or 43.14(g), whichever is applicable"; added (r) and (s).

13:20-32.3 Credentials; official inspection facilities

The driver of a motor vehicle presented for inspection shall present a valid driver's license for the class of motor vehicle being operated, a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration certificate, and a valid New Jersey insurance identification card for the motor vehicle, if applicable. Photocopies or facsimiles of credentials shall not be accepted. Credentials shall be legible and shall contain no alterations.

13:20-32.4 License plates; official inspection facilities

(a) A motor vehicle shall not be certified if the license plates are not in the possession of the operator when the motor vehicle is presented for inspection, or if the letters and/or numbers on the license plates are illegible.

(b) Certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused because the following requirements are not met; however, the motorist shall be advised to have the condition corrected:

1. The license plates shall be clear and distinct and free from grease, dirt, or other blurring material so that they are plainly visible at all times of the day and night;
2. The license plates shall be securely attached to the front and rear of the motor vehicle, respectively;
3. The license plates shall be displayed not less than 12 inches nor more than 48 inches from the ground in a horizontal position, right side up and right side out; provided, however, that the rear license plate may be displayed more than 48 inches from the ground on tank trucks, trailers and other commercial vehicles carrying inflammable liquids and on sanitation vehicles which are used to collect, transport and dispose of garbage, solid wastes and refuse;
4. The letters and/or numbers on the license plates shall agree with the letters and/or numbers on the registration certificate of the motor vehicle;
5. A license plate shall not be obstructed by a trailer hitch, snow plow bracket, bumper, bumper guard, sign, mounting bolt head, reflector, or by any other device or material;
6. The license plates shall not be covered by glass, plastic, or similar material;
7. The license plates shall not be bent or defaced; or
8. The registration plate decal(s) issued by the Division for use on the front and rear license plates shall indicate the month and year in which the registration certificate for the motor vehicle expires and shall be firmly attached to the front and rear license plates.

13:20-32.5 Steering and suspension; official inspection facilities

(a) The suspension system shall consist of the basic elements originally provided by the motor vehicle manufacturer and shall be geometrically arranged in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. No suspension system component shall be replaced unless the replacement component meets or exceeds the quality and performance standards established by the vehicle manufacture. The motor vehicle shall have a suspension system that allows movement between the unsprung axles and wheels and the chassis body and shall be equipped with a shock-absorbing device at each wheel location. The suspension system shall be capable of providing a minimum relative motion of plus or minus two inches. When any corner of the motor vehicle is depressed and released, the damping device shall stop the vertical body motion within two cycles. The use of spacer blocks between the front axle and leaf springs is prohibited.

(b) A motor vehicle having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less shall be subject to a steering wheel lash test. Certification of a motor vehicle shall be refused if the steering wheel lash test results in a steer-ahead change of less than .1 degree.

(b) Notwithstanding (a) above, certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused because a muffler has drain holes which were placed in it at the time of manufacture for drainage purposes.

13:20-32.21 Prescribed emission test(s); official inspection facilities

With respect to each gasoline-fueled or bi-fueled motor vehicle presented for inspection, an official inspection facility shall conduct the emission test(s) specified for such motor vehicle at N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.8 in accordance with the inspection standards and test procedures established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

13:20-32.22 Emission test equipment calibration; official inspection facilities

The emission test equipment shall be calibrated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's requirements and the general instructions for all tests adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27B-4.2.

13:20-32.23 Headlights; official inspection facilities

(a) Every motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, shall be equipped with at least two headlights at the same level with an equal number on each side of the front of the motor vehicle. Headlights shall emit only a white light and shall be tested for proper operation.

(b) Headlights shall be properly installed so that their beams are readily adjustable, both vertically and horizontally, and their aim is not grossly misaligned nor readily disturbed by ordinary vehicle operation.

(c) Headlights shall be of a type approved as meeting the standards of the United States Department of Transportation or, for motor vehicles manufactured prior to the adoption of such standards, the standards of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

(d) A motor vehicle having a headlight with a cracked, broken, or missing lens, or a headlight with insufficient light intensity, shall not be certified; provided, however, that a motor vehicle shall not be refused certification because the headlight has a bullseye-type hole which has been repaired in a proper manner.

(e) There shall be no auxiliary equipment, such as colored spray, on the lens, visor, reflector, or other attachment which is not included in the standards of the United States Department of Transportation or, for motor vehicles manufactured prior to the adoption of such standards, the standards of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

(f) On motor vehicles equipped with four headlights, the Type 2 headlight shall be mounted above or to the outside of the Type 1 headlight. A motor vehicle which is equipped

with recessed headlights shall, when such headlights are illuminated, have nothing covering them or in front of them except clear glass. A 1969 or later model year motor vehicle equipped with headlights which, when in use, have any styling or other features, such as a glass cover or grille in front of the lens, shall not be certified.

(g) Retractable headlights shall be in the fully open position when the headlights are tested.

(h) Motor vehicles which are used for plowing snow may have an extra set of headlights mounted above the plow. Switching shall be provided so that either set of headlights may be used, but not both.

(i) A motor vehicle shall not be refused certification because of a missing headlight rim or rims; however, the motorist shall be advised to have the defect corrected.

13:20-32.24 Rear view mirrors; official inspection facilities

(a) A motor vehicle shall not be certified if it is not equipped with at least one rear view mirror. A passenger automobile manufactured after January 1, 1965, shall be equipped with an interior mirror and an exterior mirror on the driver's side.

(b) A commercial motor vehicle manufactured after January 1, 1965, shall be equipped with an interior mirror and an exterior mirror on the driver's side, except that every such vehicle so constructed or loaded as to obstruct or obscure a rear view from an interior mirror shall, in lieu of an interior mirror, be equipped with an exterior mirror on the side of the vehicle opposite the driver's side.

(c) Mirrors shall be securely mounted and located and adjusted so as to provide the driver adequate rear view vision. Mirrors shall not obstruct the driver's forward vision. Concave or convex mirrors shall not be used in place of the interior mirror or the driver's side exterior mirror.

(d) A motor vehicle shall not be certified if a mirror is discolored, peeled, tarnished, cracked, broken, or has sharp edges.

(e) Mirrors shall be capable of adjustment to a fixed horizontal and vertical position.

13:20-32.25 Miscellaneous lights; official inspection facilities

(a) All miscellaneous lights used on motor vehicles shall be of a type and color approved as meeting the standards of the Society of Automotive Engineers. The letters "SAE," along with the manufacturer's name and trademark, are often on the lens of such lights. In addition, the letters listed below often appear on the following lights:

1. Fog lights = F;
2. Spot lights = O;

3. Emergency warning lights = W or W1 or W3; or
4. Supplemental driving or passing lights = Y or Z.

(b) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than two auxiliary driving lights mounted on the front of the vehicle at a height of not less than 12 inches nor more than 42 inches above the level surface upon which the vehicle stands. Auxiliary driving lights include, but are not limited to, fog lights, passing lights, and supplemental driving lights. Auxiliary driving lights shall be properly installed so that their aim is not grossly misaligned nor readily disturbed by ordinary vehicle operation.

1. Fog lights are auxiliary driving lights which may be used with the low beam headlights to provide general illumination ahead of a motor vehicle. A fog light shall be white, yellow, or amber in color. Approved fog lights shall meet the requirements of SAE J-583d, incorporated herein by reference. The Standards of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) may be obtained from the Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc., 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096.

2. Passing lights are also known as auxiliary low beam driving lights and are designed to supplement the lower beam of a standard headlight system. Approved lights shall meet the requirements of SAE J-582a, incorporated herein by reference. Passing lights shall be wired so that they are controlled by a switch separate from the headlight switch.

3. Supplemental driving lights are auxiliary driving lights which may be used to supplement the upper beam of a standard headlight system. Approved lights shall meet the requirements of SAE J-581, incorporated herein by reference. Supplemental driving lights shall be wired so that they are controlled by a switch separate from the headlight switch.

(c) A spot light is a light which can be aimed at will. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than one spot light, but the use of any such spot light for driving purposes is prohibited. The letters "SAE" and the letter "O," along with the manufacturer's name or trademark, are often on the lens of approved type spot lights. Approved spot lights shall meet the requirements of SAE J-591b, incorporated herein by reference.

(d) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than two side cowl or fender lights which shall emit a white or yellow light without glare.

(e) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than one running board courtesy light on each side thereof which shall emit a white or yellow light without glare.

(f) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with one or more back-up lights, either separately or in combination with other lights. Back-up lights shall be white in color. No back-up light shall be illuminated when the motor vehicle is in forward motion.

(g) On motor vehicles used for plowing snow, there may be auxiliary driving lights connected to either the parking light system or the low beam headlight system. If sealed beam headlight units are used for the auxiliary driving lights, they shall be wired so that the taillights will be illuminated when the auxiliary driving lights are turned on. Auxiliary turn signal lights are also permitted on such motor vehicles.

(h) Flashing lights are prohibited on motor vehicles (except an authorized emergency vehicle or unless a permit for same has been issued by the Director in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:24) except as a means for indicating right or left turns or for hazard warning signals.

(i) A motor vehicle driven by an active member in good standing of a volunteer fire company or a volunteer first aid or rescue squad may be equipped with a blue emergency warning light or lights in accordance with the requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:24-5. An identification card (permit) issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:24-5 shall be in the possession of the operator at all times when the blue emergency warning light or lights are displayed on a motor vehicle.

(j) A motor vehicle driven by an active member in good standing of the New Jersey Wing of the Civil Air Patrol may be equipped with a blue emergency warning light or lights in accordance with the requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:24-7. A permit issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:24-7 shall be in the possession of the operator at all times when the blue emergency warning light or lights are displayed on a motor vehicle.

(k) All miscellaneous lights shall be permanently and securely mounted on a permanent part of the vehicle in such a manner as to reduce the likelihood of their being obscured by mud or dirt thrown up by the wheels.

(l) Two or more lighting devices and reflectors may be combined optically, but the following combinations are prohibited:

1. A turn signal with a headlight; or
2. A clearance light with a taillight or an identification light.

(m) Motor vehicles may be equipped with other lights in addition to those which are specified in this subchapter. The manufacturer's name or trademark and the letters "SAE" often appear on the lens of such lights, along with the identification letters shown below:

1. E: Side turn signal lights (mounted on vehicle sides);
2. K: Cornering lights;
3. R: Back-up lights;
4. U: Supplemental high-mounted stop and turn signal lights;

13:20-32.67 Service brakes (including service brake equalization, service brake pedal reserve, and parking brake on three-wheeled motorcycles); motorcycles; official inspection facilities

(a) Certification of a motorcycle shall be refused for any of the following reasons:

1. The motorcycle is not equipped with front and rear brakes adequate to control the movement of and stop the motorcycle within a safe distance; or, for 1973 and earlier model year motorcycles, the motorcycle is not equipped with at least one brake adequate to control the movement of and stop the motorcycle within a safe distance;

2. Levers (foot and hand) do not have at least one-third of their average travel distance as reserve after the brakes are fully applied;

3. Any leak in a hydraulic brake system; or

4. Any defect in mechanical components.

(b) A three-wheeled motorcycle shall be equipped with a parking brake in proper operating condition.

(c) The parking brake shall be able to hold the motorcycle stationary on any up or down grade upon which it can be operated, whether the motorcycle is empty or loaded.

(d) The parking brake shall be equipped with an automatic locking device which will hold the brake in the applied position.

(e) When the parking brake is applied, there shall be a minimum of one-third of the total average travel (as per the motorcycle manufacturer's specifications) remaining.

(f) The service brakes on a three-wheeled motorcycle shall be properly equalized.

13:20-32.68 Helmets; motorcycles; official inspection facilities

(a) Certification of a motorcycle shall be refused for any of the following reasons:

1. There is not an approved type of safety helmet in the possession of the motorcycle operator. An approved type of safety helmet is marked to meet Standard Z90.1 of the American National Standards Institute or Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 218, along with the manufacturer's or distributor's trademark;

2. The safety helmet is not equipped with either a neck or chin strap; or

3. The safety helmet is not reflectorized over an area of at least four square inches on each side of the helmet. Red, white, or amber reflectorized safety tape shall be used and shall be securely affixed to the helmet in a permanent waterproof manner.

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See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (a)3, deleted the last sentence.

13:20-32.69 Goggles or face shields; motorcycles; official inspection facilities

(a) A motorcycle operator is not required to have goggles or a face shield in his or her possession if the motorcycle is equipped with an approved type of windscreen in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-32.53. If the motorcycle is not equipped with an approved type of windscreen, it shall not be certified unless the operator has in his or her possession either an approved type of goggles or an approved type of face shield.

(b) Approved type goggles and approved type face shields are marked to meet Standard Z2.1 or Standard Z87.1 of the American National Standards Institute or Regulation V-8. The letters and numbers Z2.1 or Z87.1 or V-8 appear on such goggles and face shields, along with the trademark of the manufacturer or distributor.

13:20-32.70 Seats; motorcycles; official inspection facilities

(a) Motorcycles designed for occupancy by two people shall have either one permanent seat designed for two persons, or a separate passenger seat located to the rear or side of the seat for the operator.

(b) Certification of a motorcycle shall be refused for any of the following reasons:

1. The seats are not equivalent in quality and safety to the original manufacturer's equipment;

2. Each seat is not securely mounted; or

3. The seats are not of sufficient strength or are mounted in such a manner that the operator and passenger cannot ride without crowding or interfering with the operation of the motorcycle.

13:20-32.71 Foot rests; motorcycles; official inspection facilities

(a) Motorcycles designed to carry more than one person shall be equipped with adequate foot rests for each passenger.

(b) Certification of a motorcycle shall be refused for any of the following reasons:

1. The foot rests are not equivalent in quality and performance to the original manufacturer's equipment;

2. The foot rests are not securely mounted;

3. The foot rests are not capable of supporting the full weight of the user; or

4. The foot rests for passengers are mounted in such a manner as to interfere with the operation of the motorcycle.

SUBCHAPTER 33. INSPECTION STANDARDS
AND TEST PROCEDURES TO BE USED BY
LICENSED PRIVATE INSPECTION
FACILITIES

13:20-33.1 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Certificate of approval” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility, a licensed private inspection facility, or a State specialty inspection facility certifying that a motor vehicle complies with the requirements of Title 39 and Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, N.J.A.C. 13:20-43, N.J.A.C. 13:20-32 or this subchapter, whichever is applicable, and N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 regarding the inspection of motor vehicles.

“Certificate of waiver” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility evidencing that a motor vehicle has successfully passed a safety inspection but that the requirements of compliance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43 and the rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection pertaining to emission inspection standards have been waived by the Division for the particular inspection cycle for which the waiver is granted.

“Director” means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Division” means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Gross vehicle weight rating” or “GVWR” means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or combination (articulated) vehicle.

“Official inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that the State Treasurer has contracted for pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 1995, c.112.

“Private inspection facility” means any person, partnership, or corporation licensed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-44 to perform the motor vehicle inspections required by N.J.S.A. 39:8-1.

“State specialty inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that is operated by the Division to inspect certain motor vehicles as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3(d).

13:20-33.2 General provisions; Class I, II, and III licensees

(a) This subchapter contains the inspection standards and test procedures to be used by licensed private inspection facilities, including Class I and Class II licensed private inspection facilities when inspecting and certifying automobiles, trucks, buses (including modified buses regardless of passenger capacity which have been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division), and jitneys as defined in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.2 for compliance with inspection standards, and Class III licensed private inspection facilities when inspecting and certifying motorcycles for compliance with inspection standards.

(b) A private inspection facility license authorizes the placement of an inspection certificate of approval on a motor vehicle upon:

1. Initial inspection as certification of compliance with inspection requirements; and
2. Reinspection as certification that defects for which the motor vehicle was initially rejected have been repaired, adjusted, or corrected to bring the motor vehicle into compliance with inspection requirements.

(c) An emission inspection or reinspection shall be performed by a motor vehicle emission inspector licensed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.17. The motor vehicle emission inspector shall sign his or her name on the motor vehicle inspection report upon completion of the inspection or reinspection of a motor vehicle. A safety inspection or reinspection shall be performed by a mechanic possessing the qualifications set forth at N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.19. The mechanic shall sign his or her name on the motor vehicle inspection report or motorcycle inspection invoice upon completion of the inspection or reinspection of a motor vehicle or motorcycle.

(d) The fee which may be charged by a Class I licensed private inspection facility for an initial inspection shall not exceed the schedule of inspection charges displayed at the facility’s place of business and on file with the Division of Motor Vehicles’ Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit. The schedule of inspection charges shall specifically set forth the inspection charge for the initial inspection of motor vehicles having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less and the inspection charge for the initial inspection of motor vehicles having a GVWR greater than 8,500 pounds.

(e) The fee which may be charged by a Class III licensed private inspection facility for an initial inspection shall not exceed one-quarter of the private inspection facility’s hourly labor charge. The schedule of inspection charges shall be displayed at the facility’s place of business and filed with the Division of Motor Vehicles’ Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit.

(f) A Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility shall not perform emission-related motor vehicle repairs unless it is registered with the Division as a motor vehicle emission repair facility in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-45.

(g) If a licensed private inspection facility is authorized to make repairs, the condition of the rejected item(s) shall be brought into compliance with the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(h) A private inspection facility license also requires reinspection and certification of a motor vehicle when the motor vehicle owner or lessee, or someone not under the direction of the licensee, has made the repairs, adjustments, or corrections. In such cases, the private inspection facility shall reinspect the rejected item(s) to determine if they conform to the standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5. If such defect(s) have been brought into compliance with the standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5, an inspection certificate of approval shall be affixed to the motor vehicle. A private inspection facility may charge a fee for such reinspection service for motor vehicles having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less, motor vehicles having a GVWR greater than 8,500 pounds, and motorcycles based on the facility's established hourly labor charge for repair service, but only that portion of an hour which the Division has established to be the average time for reinspection of specific rejected items for motor vehicles having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less by Class I licensees as set forth in Appendix A, incorporated herein by reference; or that portion of an hour which the Division has established to be the average time for reinspection of specific rejected items for motor vehicles having a GVWR greater than 8,500 pounds by Class I licensees as set forth in Appendix B, incorporated herein by reference; or that portion of an hour which the Division has established to be the average time for reinspection of specific rejected items for motorcycles by Class III licensees as set forth in Appendix C, incorporated herein by reference.

(i) When an inspection is performed on a motor vehicle, the private inspection facility shall cause to be imprinted on the inspection invoice a stamp with the following:

NEW JERSEY
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
PRIVATE INSPECTION FACILITY
LICENSE NO.
STICKER NO.
DATE:

(j) The private inspection facility license number, the inspection certificate of approval number, if applicable, and the date of inspection shall be contained on the stamp. Each private inspection facility shall purchase the above stamp from a commercial source.

(k) If an automobile, truck, bus (including a modified bus regardless of passenger capacity which has been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division), or jitney registered in New Jersey conforms to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, the motor vehicle shall be certified by a Class I or Class II licensee by removing the previous inspection certificate of approval, certificate of waiver, or inspection rejection sticker, if any, and replacing it with a current inspection certificate of approval. The inspection certificate of approval issued by a Class I or Class II licensee shall be affixed to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle, approximately three inches from the bottom of the windshield and approximately four inches from the left side of the windshield, but in every case, the inspection certificate of approval shall be completely visible from the front of the motor vehicle. The inspection certificate of approval shall be affixed in an upright position.

(l) If an automobile, truck, bus (including a modified bus regardless of passenger capacity which has been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division), or jitney registered in New Jersey does not conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, a Class I licensee shall present the motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card for such motor vehicle to the operator thereof, and a Class I or Class II licensee shall deface the inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver affixed to the motor vehicle, if any, by cutting it in a diagonal manner from the upper right corner of the certificate to the lower left corner of the certificate as viewed from inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle and removing the lower right half of such certificate. This shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motor vehicle which has failed inspection must be made and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5. If there is no previous certificate of approval or certificate of waiver affixed to the windshield, the motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card issued to the operator of the motor vehicle by the licensed private inspection facility shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motor vehicle which has failed inspection must be made and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

(m) Notwithstanding (l) above, if an automobile, truck, bus (including a modified bus regardless of passenger capacity which has been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division), or jitney registered in New Jersey does not conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 and the nature of the defect(s) found is such as to constitute a hazard to the public safety so as to require immediate repairs to such motor vehicle, a Class I licensee shall present the motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card for such motor vehicle to the operator thereof, shall remove the previous inspection certificate of approval, certificate of waiver and/or inspection rejection sticker, if any, and shall affix a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle. A defect which constitutes a hazard to the public safety so as to require immediate repairs to a motor vehicle shall include, but not be limited to, the items specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6(b). The "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker shall be an indication that the defect(s) deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety must be repaired and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6(a).

(n) If a motorcycle registered in New Jersey conforms to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter, the motorcycle shall be certified by a Class III licensee by affixing a current inspection certificate of approval to the right side of the rear license plate, equally centered between the upper right and lower right corners of the license plate, in such a position as to be easily visible for enforcement purposes. The inspection certificate of approval shall be affixed in an upright position. If there is a previous certificate of approval affixed to the rear license plate at the location specified in this subsection, the new certificate of approval shall be affixed so as to cover the previous certificate of approval. If there is a previous certificate of approval affixed to the rear license plate at a location other than that specified in this subsection, the new certificate of approval shall be affixed at the location specified in this subsection.

(o) If a motorcycle registered in New Jersey does not conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter, the private inspection facility shall present the inspection card for such motorcycle to the operator thereof. The inspection card shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motorcycle which has failed inspection must be made and the motorcycle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

(p) A motor vehicle inspection report, issued to an owner or lessee of a motor vehicle with elevated chassis height, a motor vehicle which has been modified at the direction of the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services, a reconstructed vehicle, or a salvage motor vehicle that is subject to inspection at a State specialty inspection facility in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3(d), shall be marked "MUST BE REINSPECTED AT A STATE SPECIALTY INSPECTION FACILITY." When a motor vehicle inspection report is marked in this manner, a licensed private inspection facility shall neither reinspect nor certify the motor vehicle, as it must be returned to a State specialty inspection facility for such reinspection and certification.

(q) If a motor vehicle is presented at a licensed private inspection facility for reinspection, the private inspection facility may reinspect the motor vehicle and certify it if the rejected item(s) have been repaired, adjusted, or corrected so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5, and if there are no obvious safety or emission-related defects, provided the motor vehicle is presented for reinspection within 45 days of the date of the most recent inspection rejection. If the motor vehicle is presented for reinspection after such date, or if there are obvious safety or emission-related defects, the motor vehicle shall be subject to a complete reinspection.

(r) If a motor vehicle is presented at a licensed private inspection facility for reinspection and the rejected item(s) have not been repaired, adjusted, or corrected so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, the licensed private inspection facility shall not remove the inspection rejection sticker previously affixed to the motor vehicle by an official inspection facility, nor shall the licensed private inspection facility remove the inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver previously defaced by a licensed private inspection facility in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-33.2(l) as an indication that the motor vehicle has failed inspection.

(s) If a motor vehicle bearing a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker is presented at a licensed private inspection facility for reinspection and the defect(s) previously deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety has not been repaired, the licensed private inspection facility shall not issue a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker to replace the "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker previously affixed to the motor vehicle.

(t) Notwithstanding (r) above, if a motor vehicle bearing a "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker is presented at a licensed private inspection facility for reinspection and the defect(s) previously deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety has been repaired so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter and the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, but another rejected item(s) not deemed to constitute a hazard to the public safety has not been repaired, adjusted, or corrected so as to conform to the inspection standards set forth in this subchapter or the inspection standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, the licensed private inspection facility shall remove the "48 hour" inspection rejection sticker previously affixed to the motor vehicle and shall present the motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card for such motor vehicle to the operator thereof. The motor vehicle inspection report or inspection card shall be an indication that adjustments, corrections, or repairs to the motor vehicle must be made and the motor vehicle presented for reinspection within the period of time set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5.

(u) Charges for initial inspections, reinspections, and repairs shall be listed separately on the inspection or repair invoice.

(v) A licensed private inspection facility shall not require, as a condition of performing the initial inspection, that any repairs, adjustments, or corrections be performed at the private inspection facility performing the inspection.

(w) Repairs, adjustments, or corrections shall not be performed on a motor vehicle at the licensed private inspection facility where the motor vehicle was inspected unless the customer signs a written acknowledgment and waiver that he or she understands his or her right to have the repairs, adjustments, or corrections performed elsewhere and expressly waives his or her rights. The acknowledgment/waiver shall contain at least the following information:

I understand my right to have inspection repairs, adjustments, and corrections performed elsewhere, and hereby choose to have such repairs, adjustments, and corrections performed at this facility.

Customer's Signature _____ Date _____

(x) Any motor vehicle presented for initial inspection shall undergo a complete inspection. Once the inspection has commenced it shall not be terminated until the motor vehicle is either certified or rejected. An inspection may be terminated prior to completion when the condition of the motor vehicle being inspected makes it unsafe to complete such inspection.

(y) Licensed private inspection facilities shall not be authorized to issue certificates of waiver. Certificates of waiver shall only be issued by official inspection facilities in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-32.2 for motor vehicles which satisfy all of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.13.

(z) A licensed private inspection facility shall not issue a replacement inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver for any motor vehicle for which the current inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver has been lost, stolen, destroyed, or defaced, or for any motor vehicle which has had its windshield replaced. Such a replacement inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver shall only be issued by an official inspection facility in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-32.2(q).

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.
Sec: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (f), inserted "or Class II" following "Class I"; in (h), substituted "someone not under the direction of the licensee" for "any other person authorized by the motor vehicle owner or lessee" and substituted "7:27B-5" for "7:27B-4"; in (q), rewrote first sentence.

13:20-33.3 Credentials; Class I and II licensees

The driver of a motor vehicle presented for inspection shall present a valid driver's license for the class of motor vehicle being operated, a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration certificate, and a valid New Jersey insurance identification card for the motor vehicle, if applicable. Photocopies or facsimiles of credentials shall not be accepted. Credentials shall be legible and shall contain no alterations.

13:20-33.4 License plates; Class I and II licensees

(a) A motor vehicle shall not be certified if the license plates are not in the possession of the operator when the motor vehicle is presented for inspection, or if the letters and/or numbers on the license plates are illegible.

(b) Certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused because the following requirements are not met; however, the motorist shall be advised to have the condition corrected:

1. The license plates shall be clear and distinct and free from grease, dirt, or other blurring material so that they are plainly visible at all times of the day and night.
2. The license plates shall be securely attached to the front and rear of the motor vehicle, respectively;
3. The license plates shall be displayed not less than 12 inches nor more than 48 inches from the ground in a horizontal position, right side up and right side out; provided, however, that the rear license plate may be displayed more than 48 inches from the ground on tank trucks, trailers and other commercial vehicles carrying inflammable liquids and on sanitation vehicles which are used to collect, transport and dispose of garbage, solid wastes and refuse;
4. The letters and/or numbers on the license plates shall agree with the letters and/or numbers on the registration certificate of the motor vehicle;

5. A license plate shall not be obstructed by a trailer hitch, snow plow bracket, bumper, bumper guard, sign, mounting bolt head, reflector, or by any other device or material;

6. The license plates shall not be covered by glass, plastic, or similar material;

7. The license plates shall not be bent or defaced; or

8. The registration plate decal(s) issued by the Division for use on the front and rear license plates shall indicate the month and year in which the registration certificate for the motor vehicle expires and shall be firmly attached to the front and rear license plates.

13:20-33.5 Steering and suspension; Class I and II licensees

(a) The suspension system shall consist of the basic elements originally provided by the motor vehicle manufacturer and shall be geometrically arranged in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. No suspension system component shall be replaced unless the replacement component meets or exceeds the quality and performance standards established by the vehicle manufacturer. The motor vehicle shall have a suspension system that allows movement between the unsprung axles and wheels and the chassis body and shall be equipped with a shock-absorbing device at each wheel location. The suspension system shall be capable of providing a minimum relative motion of plus or minus two inches. When any corner of the motor vehicle is depressed and released, the damping device shall stop the vertical body motion within two cycles. The use of spacer blocks between the front axle and leaf springs is prohibited.

(b) Starting with the front wheels in the straight-ahead position, the steering wheel shall be turned in one direction until there is a perceptible movement of a front wheel. When the steering wheel is turned in the other direction, a point on the steering wheel rim shall not move more than three inches before there is a perceptible return movement of the front wheel under observation. When this test is performed on motor vehicles which are equipped with power steering, the transmission shall be in "neutral" and the engine shall be running.

(c) With the front end of the motor vehicle lifted, the front and rear of a front tire shall be grasped and an attempt made to turn the tire and wheel assembly to the right and to the left. The free movement at the front or rear of the tire shall not exceed one-quarter inch. The top and bottom of a front tire shall then be grasped and moved in and out. The movement of the tire shall not exceed the manufacturer's specifications. Both front tires shall be tested in this manner.

(d) The steering wheel shall be turned through the limit of travel in both directions. There shall be no binding or jamming in the steering wheel mechanism.

(e) The steering wheel shall be a minimum of 13 inches in diameter.

(f) There shall be no wear or breakage of components of the steering or suspension system which adversely affects the safe operation of the motor vehicle. There shall be no visible caster or camber.

(g) Shock absorbers shall be properly installed and in proper operating condition. Shock absorbers shall not exhibit oil on the shock absorber housing attributable to leakage by the seal.

(h) No portion of a motor vehicle shall extend below the bottom of the wheel rim line at maximum suspension deflection.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

Rewrote (a); added (h).

13:20-33.6 Front parking lights; Class I and II licensees

(a) Front parking lights shall be of a type approved as meeting the standards of the United States Department of Transportation or, for motor vehicles manufactured prior to the adoption of such standards, the standards of the Society of Automotive Engineers. The letters "SAE" and the letter "P," along with the manufacturer's name or trademark, are often on the lens of such lights.

(b) Front parking lights shall be white, yellow, or amber in color, and shall be securely mounted on the motor vehicle so as to reduce the likelihood of their being obscured by mud or dust thrown up by the wheels. There shall be one front parking light mounted on each side of the vertical centerline of the motor vehicle at the same height and as far apart as practicable.

(c) Certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused for the following reasons; however, the motorist shall be advised to have the defect corrected:

1. One or both of the front parking lights are inoperative; or
2. A front parking light lens is damaged or missing. Where the front turn signal lights are combined with the front parking lights, the motor vehicle shall not be refused certification because of a cracked lens; however, if the lens is cracked and a portion of the lens is separated or missing, the motor vehicle shall be refused certification.

13:20-33.7 Glazing; Class I and II licensees

(a) All glazing used on motor vehicles manufactured after July 1, 1935, shall be an approved type of glazing which is legibly and permanently marked with the manufacturer's name, trademark, DOT number, "AS" number, or other distinctive designation under which the glazing was approved, so as to be visible when the glazing is installed in the motor vehicle. The proper type of glazing shall be used for each location in a motor vehicle. The approved locations for the various types of glazing are as follows:

(c) Stoplights shall exhibit a red or amber color and shall be visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear of the vehicle when activated by application of the brake. The stoplights, including high-mounted rear stoplights, shall not be obstructed by any part of the chassis, body, or bumper, or by any type of add-on device or material.

(d) Stoplights shall be permanently and securely mounted on a permanent part of the vehicle. Certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused because a stoplight has a cracked lens, provided no white light shows to the rear of the motor vehicle and no portion of the lens is missing. However, the motorist shall be advised to have the defect corrected.

(e) If a motor vehicle is equipped with two or more stoplights on each side, it shall not be refused certification because some of the stoplights are not operative, provided at least one stoplight on each side of the motor vehicle is operative. However, the motorist shall be advised to have the defect corrected.

(f) If a motor vehicle is equipped with a high-mounted rear stoplight(s) with multiple bulbs, it shall not be refused certification because some of the stoplight bulbs are not operative, provided at least one such high-mounted rear stoplight bulb is operative. However, the motorist shall be advised to have the defect corrected.

(g) Certification of a motor vehicle which is equipped with a high-mounted rear stoplight shall be refused if the stoplight is so wired that it illuminates when the turn signal lights are activated.

(h) If the high-mounted rear stoplight is mounted inside the motor vehicle, means shall be provided to minimize reflections from the light upon the rear window glazing that may be visible to the driver when viewed in the interior rear view mirror. Certification of a motor vehicle which is equipped with such a high-mounted rear stoplight shall be refused if adequate means are not provided to minimize such reflections.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

Added (h).

13:20–33.18 Wheels; Class I and II licensees

(a) Wheels shall turn freely and the lateral or radial runout of the rim bead shall not exceed the motor vehicle manufacturer's specifications.

(b) Wheels shall be securely mounted and there shall be no visible cracks, elongated bolt holes, broken bolts, missing bolts or nuts, indication of repair by welding, or other defects which adversely affect the safe operation of the motor vehicle.

13:20–33.19 Tires; Class I and II licensees

(a) The tread on each tire shall not be less than $\frac{2}{32}$ of an inch deep.

(b) Many tires have tread depth indicators that become exposed when the tread depth is less than $\frac{2}{32}$ of an inch. Tread depth indicators shall be inspected and a tire rejected if it is worn so that the indicators are visible in any two adjacent major grooves at three locations spaced approximately equally around the outside of the tire. For tires without tread depth indicators, the tread depth shall be measured with a tire tread depth gauge.

(c) Tires shall be free from chunking, bumps, knots, or bulges evidencing cord, ply, or tread separation from the casing or other adjacent materials. Tire cords or belting materials shall not be exposed.

(d) There shall not be any mismatch in nominal tire size, construction, or profile between tires on the same axle, or any deviation from the motor vehicle manufacturer's tire recommendations. Tire tread shall not protrude beyond the fenders.

(e) Tires on motor vehicles registered for use on a public highway shall not be marked "FOR FARM USE ONLY," "OFF HIGHWAY USE ONLY" or "FOR RACING USE ONLY." Tires which were originally manufactured with extra undertread material and are marked "REGROOVABLE" may be regrooved below the original tread depth.

(f) Studded tires may not be used on a public highway in New Jersey earlier than November 15 or later than April 1 of any winter season. Certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused because of the improper use of studded tires; however, the motorist shall be advised to have the condition corrected.

13:20–33.20 Exhaust system; Class I and II licensees

(a) The following shall not be certified:

1. An exhaust system in which the muffler is missing, defective, or not in proper operating condition;
2. An exhaust system if there is evidence of tampering with emission control apparatus in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:27–15.7;
3. An exhaust system if there is evidence of exhaust gas leakage at any point in the system;
4. An exhaust system if there is a muffler cut-out, muffler bypass or any similar device, or any change or modification to the exhaust system which causes excessive noise;
5. An exhaust system which has loose or worn components or has been patched; provided, however, that an exhaust system which has been properly welded and is in good condition may be certified;

6. An exhaust system in which all parts are not properly mounted. The entire exhaust system shall be in such condition that it cannot burn or cause injury to any person. Exposed exhaust pipes, stacks, or other parts of the exhaust system which might burn a person or cause injury shall be protected in a permanent and effective manner; or

7. An exhaust system installed in a manner that any part thereof passes through the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle. The exit point for the exhaust gas shall be located so that dangerous amounts of exhaust gas will not enter the passenger compartment under normal vehicle use even with the windows open or the outside air inlets to the heater or air conditioner open. A replacement exhaust system is acceptable provided it is specifically manufactured for the motor vehicle by a company which guarantees that the exhaust system has a safe exhaust gas exit location.

(b) Notwithstanding (a) above, certification of a motor vehicle shall not be refused because a muffler has drain holes which were placed in it at the time of manufacture for drainage purposes.

13:20-33.21 Prescribed emission test(s); Class I and II licensees

With respect to each gasoline-fueled or bi-fueled motor vehicle presented for inspection, a licensed private inspection facility shall conduct the emission test(s) specified for such motor vehicle at N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.8 in accordance with the inspection standards and test procedures established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

13:20-33.22 Emission test equipment calibration; Class I and II licensees

The emission test equipment shall be calibrated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's requirements and the general instructions for all tests adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27B-4.2.

13:20-33.23 Headlights; Class I and II licensees

(a) Every motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, shall be equipped with at least two headlights mounted at the same level with an equal number on each side of the front of the motor vehicle. Headlights shall emit only a white light and shall be tested for proper operation. Headlights shall not be tested for aim unless they have been previously rejected at inspection for one of the reasons set forth in this section. If headlight aim testing is required, the headlight aim shall meet the specifications listed below:

1. High beam aim specifications:
 - i. Vertical aim: From four inches above to five inches below;

- ii. Horizontal aim: From six inches right to six inches left.

2. Low beam aim specifications:

- i. Vertical aim: From three inches below to 14 inches below;

- ii. Horizontal aim: From eight inches right to 23 inches right.

(b) The headlight aim specifications set forth in (a) above refer to the location of the "hot spot" (the center of the high intensity portion of the beam pattern) based on a distance of 25 feet from the test screen. The vertical aim specifications indicate the distance the "hot spot" shall be above or below the horizontal centerline straight ahead of the headlight center. The horizontal aim specifications indicate the distance the "hot spot" shall be to the right or to the left of the vertical centerline straight ahead of the headlight center.

(c) SAE visual inspection limits for the vertical aim of the "hot spot" of Type 1 headlight units are from four inches above to four inches below, and for the horizontal aim of the "hot spot" of Type 1 headlight units are from four inches right to four inches left.

(d) SAE visual inspection limits for the top edge of the high intensity zone of Type 2 headlight units are from four inches above to four inches below, and for the left edge of the high intensity zone of Type 2 headlight units are from four inches left to four inches right.

(e) If headlight aim is inspected with a mechanical aimer, the inspection specifications for both Type 1 and Type 2 headlight units shall be four inches above to four inches below and four inches left to four inches right.

(f) Headlights shall be properly installed so that their beams are readily adjustable, both vertically and horizontally, and their aim is not grossly misaligned nor readily disturbed by ordinary vehicle operation.

(g) Headlights shall be of a type approved as meeting the standards of the United States Department of Transportation or, for motor vehicles manufactured prior to the adoption of such standards, the standards of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

(h) A motor vehicle having a headlight with a cracked, broken, or missing lens, or a headlight with insufficient light intensity, shall not be certified; provided, however, that a motor vehicle shall not be refused certification because the headlight has a bullseye-type hole which has been repaired in a proper manner.

(f) The Division, upon approval of an individual member's application, will mail the special motor vehicle registration plates and replacement certificate of registration bearing the new registration plate number to the applicable member.

(g) Upon receipt of the special motor vehicle registration plates and replacement certificate of registration by an organization member, that member must surrender his or her replaced license plates within 10 days to the Division at any motor vehicle agency or official inspection facility or by mail to:

Division of Motor Vehicles
PO Box 403
Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0403

Amended by R.1994 d.175, effective April 4, 1994.

See: 26 N.J.R. 331(a), 26 N.J.R. 1516(a).

Amended by R.2001 d.20, effective January 16, 2001.

See: 32 N.J.R. 3720(a), 33 N.J.R. 269(a).

In (g), substituted "official" for "State operated motor vehicle" and substituted "facility" for "station".

13:20-39.10 Denial, suspension or revocation

(a) Special motor vehicle registration plates shall not be issued pursuant to this subchapter to any person who:

1. Has been convicted of a violation of either N.J.S.A. 39:4-50 or N.J.S.A. 39:4-96;
2. Has been convicted of a violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:11-5;
3. Has had a suspension or revocation of driving privileges in effect in this State at any time within the two year period next preceding the date of application for such plates.

(b) Special motor vehicle registration plates shall not be issued pursuant to this subchapter for any motorcycle or commercially registered vehicle, nor for any vehicle which is not registered in the State of New Jersey.

(c) Any cause for which issuance of special motor vehicle registration plates pursuant to this subchapter may be denied which arises subsequent to the issuance of such plates shall also be cause for the suspension or revocation of such plates.

(d) A material misstatement of fact on an application for special motor vehicle registration plates submitted pursuant to this subchapter shall be cause for suspension or revocation of such plates.

(e) Any person who has been issued special motor vehicle registration plates pursuant to this subchapter which identify that person as a member of an approved organization shall surrender such plates to the Division together with the corresponding registration certificate within 30 days of that

person's resignation, removal or termination from membership in such organization. The failure to so surrender such plates shall be cause for the suspension or revocation of such plates.

(f) The organization liaison shall notify the Division of Motor Vehicles in writing of any person who has been issued special motor vehicle registration plates pursuant to this subchapter and who subsequently resigns or is removed or terminated from membership in the approved organization. The notification required by this subsection shall be supplied to the Division within 30 days of the former organization member's resignation, removal or termination of membership in the approved organization, and shall specify the date of the former member's resignation, removal or termination.

SUBCHAPTER 40. (RESERVED)

SUBCHAPTER 41. SILVER STAR INSIGNIAS ON LICENSE PLATES

13:20-41.1 Use

A person who has been issued Silver Star license plates in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:3-27.45 may, pursuant to P.L. 1999, c.127 and this subchapter, affix a Silver Star insignia to such license plates. Such an insignia may only be affixed to New Jersey Silver Star license plates.

13:20-41.2 Design

The Silver Star insignia to be affixed to a Silver Star license plate as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-41.1 shall be of a design similar to that set forth in 32 CFR § 578.7(b), and shall be no larger in size than the replica of the Silver Star which is on the Silver Star license plate.

13:20-41.3 Materials

The Silver Star insignia to be affixed to a Silver Star license plate as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-41.1 shall be made of reflectorized material.

13:20-41.4 Placement

The Silver Star insignia to be affixed to a Silver Star license plate as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-41.1 shall be placed upon the replica of the Silver Star which is on the license plate, and shall not obscure or cover any portion of the letters or numbers which appear on the license plate.

SUBCHAPTER 42. PURPLE HEART EMBLEMS ON LICENSE PLATES

13:20-42.1 Use

A person who is an active member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart may, pursuant to P.L. 1991, c.232 and this subchapter, affix a purple heart emblem to a New Jersey purple heart license plate issued in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:3-27.35 et seq. for a motor vehicle owned or leased by that member. Such an emblem may only be affixed to a New Jersey purple heart license plate.

13:20-42.2 Design

The purple heart emblem to be affixed to a purple heart license plate as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-42.1 shall be of a design similar to that set forth in 32 CFR § 578.14(b), and shall be no larger in size than the replica of the purple heart which is already embossed on the purple heart license plate.

13:20-42.3 Materials

The purple heart emblem to be affixed to a purple heart license plate as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-42.1 shall be made of reflectorized material.

13:20-42.4 Placement

The purple heart emblem to be affixed to a purple heart license plate as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:20-42.1 shall be placed upon the replica of the purple heart which is already embossed on the license plate, and shall not obscure or cover any portion of the letters or numbers which appear on the license plate.

SUBCHAPTER 43. ENHANCED MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

13:20-43.1 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Bi-fueled” means powered by gasoline and by an alternative fuel, but not on a mixture of the two fuels. Each fuel is stored in a separate tank. For example, a vehicle may operate on either propane or gasoline, but it cannot operate on both at the same time. Typically, these vehicles will consume the alternative fuel until the supply is exhausted, then switch over, often automatically, to use the traditional fuel. This term shall not include vehicles powered by electric motors.

“Certificate of approval” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility, a licensed private inspection facility, or a State specialty inspection facility certifying that a motor vehicle complies with the requirements of Title 39 and Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, this subchapter, N.J.A.C. 13:20-32 or 13:20-33, whichever is applicable, and N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 regarding the inspection of motor vehicles.

“Certificate of waiver” means an inspection sticker issued by an official inspection facility evidencing that a motor vehicle has successfully passed a safety inspection but that the requirements of compliance with this subchapter and the rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection pertaining to emission inspection standards have been waived by the Division for the particular inspection cycle for which the waiver is granted.

“Certified configuration” means a vehicle-engine-chassis design for light-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles and light-duty gasoline-fueled trucks certified by either of the following agencies as meeting the applicable emission standards for motor vehicles manufactured in a given model year:

1. EPA for model year 1968 or for a more recent model year; or
2. California Air Resources Board for model year 1966 or for a more recent model year.

“Collector motor vehicle” means a motor vehicle, not otherwise qualified for designation as an “historic vehicle,” or “street rod,” which was either: originally manufactured as a restricted issue make or model, or in a sufficiently limited quantity; or at the time of qualification for designation exists in such limited numbers; either one or the other or both of the above, according to any generally recognized compilation of motor vehicle statistical information on file with, or supplied by the owner to the Division, as may be accepted by the Director in his or her discretion, so as to establish it as a unique commodity having a current monetary value in excess of similar make and model vehicles with routine manufacture and distribution patterns, and, further, that is not driven in excess of the maximum mileage permitted by the terms of a valid limited use motor vehicle insurance policy issued for, and covering such vehicle, proof of which shall be supplied to the Division at the time of application for designation as a collector vehicle, which mileage shall in no event exceed 3,000 miles per year. This term shall not include motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37.

“Department” means the Department of Environmental Protection in the State of New Jersey.

“Director” means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Division” means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Emission control system” means a device or equipment installed on a motor vehicle by the vehicle manufacturer and/or the engine manufacturer for the purpose of controlling air contaminants emitted from the motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine, including devices or equipment integral with, but not limited to, exhaust emission control systems, fuel evaporation control systems, crankcase emission control systems, and associated devices or systems which control or monitor the function and maintenance of these devices or systems.

“EPA” means the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

“Federal Clean Air Act” means the Federal “Clean Air Act,” 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq., and any subsequent amendments or supplements to that act.

“Federal test procedure” means a chassis dynamometer test which employs varying speeds and loads, developed by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency for purposes of measuring motor vehicle exhaust emissions.

“Fleet” means 10 or more motor vehicles.

“Gasoline-fueled” means powered by a hydrocarbon fuel other than diesel fuel, including, but not limited to, gasoline, natural gas, liquified petroleum gas, and propane, and also powered by alcohol fuels and hydrocarbon-alcohol fuel blends.

“Gross vehicle weight rating” or “GVWR” means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or combination (articulated) vehicle.

“Inspector” means an individual who is licensed by the Division to perform motor vehicle emission inspections.

“Light-duty gasoline-fueled truck” means a gasoline-fueled motor vehicle that has a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less, a vehicle curb weight of 6,000 pounds or less, and a basic frontal area of 45 square feet or less, and that is:

1. Designed primarily for the transportation of property or more than 12 passengers; or
2. Available with special features enabling off-street or off-highway operation and use.

“Light-duty gasoline-fueled vehicle” means a gasoline-fueled motor vehicle that has a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less, is designed primarily for use as a passenger car or is a passenger car derivative and is capable of seating 12 or fewer passengers.

“Loaded-mode (dynamometer-based) emission test” means the ASM 5015 emission test.

“Low mileage vehicle” means a vehicle that is driven less than 10,000 miles during the biennial inspection period.

“Low utilization modified performance vehicle” means a vehicle that has been modified for performance and that is driven less than 10,000 miles during the biennial inspection period, provided, however, that any such performance modification shall comply with all of the anti-tampering requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.7(a).

“Model year” means, with respect to a motor vehicle, the year in which the motor vehicle is considered to have been manufactured. If the manufacturer establishes an annual production period, designation of the year shall be based on the annual production period during which the manufacturer begins production of the motor vehicle. When such annual production period falls within one calendar year, the model year attributed to the motor vehicle shall be that calendar year. When such annual production period continues from one calendar year into the next, the model year attributed to the motor vehicle shall be the latter calendar year (for example, a motor vehicle produced in an annual production period that continues from 1994 to 1995 shall be considered as being produced in the 1995 model year). If the manufacturer establishes no annual production period, a motor vehicle’s model year shall be the calendar year in which the manufacturer begins production of that motor vehicle. If a motor vehicle is manufactured in two or more stages, the model year of such motor vehicle shall be based on the date of completion of the chassis. In case of any dispute, the Director shall have sole discretion to determine the model year of a vehicle for purposes of this subchapter. For purposes of this subchapter, the Director may, in his or her discretion, determine that “model year” means the model year designated for the motor vehicle as contained in the vehicle identification number for such vehicle.

“Motor vehicle” means all vehicles propelled otherwise than by muscular power, excepting such vehicles as run only upon rails or tracks and motorized bicycles.

“Motor vehicle emission repair facility” means any person, partnership or corporation registered by the Division to engage in the business of performing emission-related repairs on motor vehicles that have failed an emission inspection required by this subchapter and which repairs may qualify for consideration in determining whether a certificate of waiver may be granted.

“Official inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that the State Treasurer has contracted for pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 1995, c.112.

“Omnibus” means all motor vehicles used for the transportation of passengers for hire, except commuter vans and vehicles used in ridesharing arrangements and school buses, if the same are not otherwise used in the transportation of passengers for hire.

“Private inspection facility” means any person, partnership or corporation licensed by the Division pursuant to

N.J.A.C. 13:20-44 to perform the motor vehicle inspections required by N.J.S.A. 39:8-1.

“Remote sensing device” means an apparatus which remotely monitors motor vehicle emissions from an on-road, roadside, or other location.

“State” means a state of the United States or the District of Columbia.

“State specialty inspection facility” means a test-only inspection facility that is operated by the Division to inspect certain motor vehicles as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3(d).

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

In “Collector motor vehicle” amended maximum mileage provision and inserted proof of insurance requirement.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Inserted “Bi-fueled”, “Low utilization modified performance vehicle” and “State specialty inspection facility”; deleted “Primary emission control component” and “Working order”; rewrote “Certificate of approval”; in “Certificate of waiver” inserted “issued by an official inspection facility” following “sticker”; in “Collector motor vehicle”, added the last sentence; in “Emission control system”, substituted a reference to vehicle manufacturers and engine manufacturers for a reference to manufacturers, and inserted a reference to maintenance; in “Official inspection facility”, deleted “is operated by the Division of or that” following “facility that”; and in “Private inspection facility”, changed N.J.A.C. reference.

13:20-43.2 Inspection requirements for motor vehicles; exempt vehicles; designation of collector motor vehicles; designation of low utilization modified performance vehicles; designation of low mileage vehicles

(a) Except as otherwise provide in (b) below, all motor vehicles, regardless of model year or fuel type, which are registered or required to be registered in New Jersey and all fleet motor vehicles which are primarily operated in New Jersey shall be inspected in accordance with this subchapter and the applicable emission standards adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5. It shall be the responsibility of the owner or lessee of any motor vehicle primarily operated in New Jersey but which is registered in another jurisdiction to have such vehicle inspected in the state or jurisdiction of registration or in this State.

(b) The following vehicles, some of which may be subject to inspection under other provisions of law or regulation, shall be exempt from the inspection requirements of this subchapter:

1. Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:3-27.4;
2. Collector motor vehicles;
3. Motorcycles;
4. Motorized bicycles;
5. Farm tractors and traction equipment;

6. Farm machinery and implements;
7. Fire trucks having a GVWR of more than 8,500 pounds;
8. In-transit construction equipment registered pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-30;
9. Diesel-fueled motor vehicles, other than omnibuses and school buses, having a GVWR of 10,000 pounds or more that are required to be inspected by the owner or lessee of the vehicle in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-26;
10. Omnibuses having a seating capacity of 10 passengers or more and which are subject to inspection by the Division’s Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit; and
11. Tactical military vehicles operated on Federal installations within this State.

(c) To qualify for designation as a “collector motor vehicle” the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle shall submit an application in the form specified by the Division which provides evidence of the following:

1. The vehicle is not currently qualified for designation as an “historic motor vehicle,” as provided at N.J.S.A. 39:3-27.3 et seq., and any rules promulgated pursuant thereto, or as a “street rod,” as provided at N.J.S.A. 39:3-27.27, and any rules promulgated pursuant thereto;
2. The vehicle is not a motor vehicle with elevated chassis height which is subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37;
3. The vehicle is not driven in excess of the maximum mileage permitted by the terms of a valid limited use motor vehicle insurance policy issued for such vehicle; and
4. The vehicle currently qualifies for, and is covered by, motor vehicle insurance coverage of a kind intended for limited use collector motor vehicles, proof of which shall be supplied to the Division at the time of application for designation as a collector motor vehicle, which policy shall limit the mileage of the vehicle to 3,000 miles per year or less; and either,
 - i. Proof that the vehicle was originally manufactured as a restricted issue make or model, or in a sufficiently limited quantity, according to any generally recognized compilation of motor vehicle statistical information on file with, or supplied by the owner or lessee to the Division, as may be accepted by the Director in his or her discretion, so as to establish the vehicle as a unique commodity having a current monetary value in excess of similar make and model vehicles with routine manufacture and distribution patterns; or

ii. Proof that at the time of qualification for designation as a "collector motor vehicle" that the make and model of such vehicles exist in such limited numbers, according to any generally recognized compilation of motor vehicle statistical information on file with, or supplied by the owner or lessee to the Division, as may be accepted by the Director in his or her discretion, so as to establish the vehicle as a unique commodity having a current monetary value in excess of similar make and model vehicles with routine manufacture and distribution patterns.

(d) The Director or his or her designee shall verify the odometer reading of a "collector motor vehicle" and may require that such motor vehicle be equipped with an odometer lock. A motor vehicle which is equipped with an odometer which is inoperative or not in proper operating condition shall not qualify for designation as a "collector motor vehicle."

(e) The owner of any motor vehicle qualifying as a "collector motor vehicle" shall be eligible to purchase from the Division a distinctive windshield sticker, of a design and dimensions to be approved by the Director, said sticker to be affixed in lieu of a certificate of approval, by an authorized representative of the Division, indicating that said vehicle is a "collector motor vehicle" that is exempt from the inspection requirements of N.J.S.A. 39:8-1. The windshield sticker shall be valid for the inspection test cycle.

(f) The Director or his or her designee shall remove the previous "collector motor vehicle" windshield sticker, if any, of a motor vehicle which is denied designation as a "collector motor vehicle" in accordance with this section. A motor vehicle that is denied designation as a "collector motor vehicle" shall not be eligible for such designation for one inspection cycle.

(g) The owner or lessee of a "collector motor vehicle" shall make application to the Division for the renewal of the windshield sticker prior to expiration of the inspection test cycle. The renewal application shall at a minimum be accompanied by proof that the vehicle is covered by motor vehicle insurance coverage of a kind intended for limited use collector motor vehicles that limits the mileage use of the vehicle to 3,000 miles per year or less.

(h) The cost of said sticker shall be \$25.00 for the initial inspection test cycle and \$10.00 for the renewal of said sticker for inspection test cycles thereafter.

(i) To qualify for designation as a "low utilization modified performance vehicle," a motor vehicle shall be driven less than 10,000 miles during the biennial inspection period and the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle shall submit a certification in the form specified by the Division to the effect that the motor vehicle's emission control apparatus conforms to the standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(j) The Director or his or her designee shall verify the odometer reading of a "low utilization modified performance vehicle." A motor vehicle which is equipped with an odometer which is inoperative or not in proper operating condition shall not qualify for designation as a "low utilization modified performance vehicle."

(k) A motor vehicle which is denied designation as a "low utilization modified performance vehicle" in accordance with this section shall not be eligible for such designation for one inspection cycle.

(l) To qualify for designation as a "low mileage vehicle" a motor vehicle shall be driven less than 10,000 miles during the biennial inspection period.

(m) The Director or his or her designee shall verify the odometer reading of a "low mileage vehicle." A motor vehicle which is equipped with an odometer which is inoperative or not in proper operating condition shall not qualify for designation as a "low mileage vehicle."

(n) A motor vehicle which is denied designation as a "low mileage vehicle" in accordance with this section shall not be eligible for such designation for one inspection cycle.

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

In (c)2, amended maximum mileage provision; in (c)3, inserted proof of insurance and 3,000 mile policy limitation provisions; and in (f), inserted 3,000 mile policy limitation.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (a), amended N.J.A.C. references.

13:20-43.3 Inspection facilities

A motor vehicle subject to inspection shall have the inspection performed at an official inspection facility, a private inspection facility licensed by the Division, or a State specialty inspection facility operated by the Division, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.3.

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

Deleted provision prohibiting vehicles over four years old from inspection at private facilities and provision requiring reinspection of specified vehicles at official facilities following two initial emission test failures.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote the section.

13:20-43.4 Federal motor vehicles

(a) Motor vehicles that are operated on Federal installations located within New Jersey and motor vehicles operated by Federal government agencies in this State shall be inspected in accordance with this subchapter and the emission standards adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(b) Notwithstanding N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.3, motor vehicles which are inspected pursuant to this section shall be inspected by a Class I or Class II private inspection facility licensed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.

(c) A Class I licensed private inspection facility shall provide to the operator of a Federally-plated or numbered motor vehicle which is presented for inspection in this State a report of inspection conducted under (a) above which shall include:

1. The VIN for the motor vehicle;
2. The license plate number issued by the Federal government agency for the motor vehicle;
3. HC results;
4. CO results;
5. CO₂ results;
6. NO_x results;
7. O₂ results;
8. Pressure test results;
9. Purge test results; and
10. Exhaust system inspection results.

(d) All motor vehicles owned, leased or operated by civilian or military personnel on Federal installations in New Jersey, whether such vehicles are registered in this State or in another jurisdiction, shall be inspected in accordance with this subchapter and the emission standards adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27 and 7:27B. This inspection requirement shall not apply to visiting agency, employee or military personnel vehicles so long as such visits do not exceed 60 calendar days per year.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote (a) and (b); and in (c), substituted a reference to Class I licensed private inspection facilities for a reference to the Division in the introductory paragraph, substituted a reference to CO results for a reference to O results in 4, and substituted a reference to exhaust system inspection results for a reference to safety inspection results in 10.

13:20-43.5 Motor vehicles registered in other states

(a) Owners, lessees or operators of motor vehicles registered in other jurisdictions may present their motor vehicles for inspection in this State. The inspection shall be in accordance with this subchapter and the emission standards adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(b) Notwithstanding N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.3, motor vehicles which are inspected pursuant to this section shall be inspected by a Class I or Class II private inspection facility licensed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.

(c) A Class I licensed private inspection facility shall provide to the operator of a motor vehicle which is presented for inspection in this State a report of inspection conducted under N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.4(d) or (a) above.

(d) The owner or lessee of a motor vehicle shall transmit a report of inspections conducted under N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.4(d) or (a) above to the state of registration which shall include:

1. The VIN for the motor vehicle;
2. The license plate number issued for the motor vehicle;
3. The name of the state in which the vehicle is registered;
4. HC results;
5. CO results;
6. CO₂ results;
7. O₂ results;
8. NO_x results;
9. Pressure test results;
10. Purge test results; and
11. Exhaust system inspection results.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

In (a), changed N.J.A.C. references; rewrote (b); in (c), substituted a reference to Class I licensed private inspection facilities for a reference to the Division; and in (d)11, substituted a reference to exhaust system inspection results for a reference to safety inspections.

13:20-43.6 Fleet motor vehicles

All fleet motor vehicles, including those that are available for lease or rent, which are registered in this State, or are registered in another state and primarily operated in New Jersey, shall be inspected in accordance with this subchapter and the emission standards adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4. A fleet vehicle shall be inspected at an official inspection facility or by a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility. The owner or lessee of fleet motor vehicles may apply for and be licensed by the Division as a Class II private inspection facility in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

Deleted provision requiring reinspection of specified vehicles at official facilities following two initial emission test failures.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Changed N.J.A.C. references in the first sentence, inserted "Class I or Class II" in the second sentence, and inserted "Class II" and changed N.J.S.A. reference in the last sentence.

13:20-43.7 Test frequency

Motor vehicles subject to inspection pursuant to this subchapter shall be inspected on a biennial basis, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Deleted former second and third sentences.

13:20-43.8 Tests for emissions

(a) A loaded-mode (dynamometer-based) test shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.5 and 7:27B-5 on all gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles with model years 1981 and later having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less; provided, however, no such test shall be required for any full-time four-wheel drive vehicle regardless of weight class, for a low mileage vehicle, for a low utilization modified performance vehicle, for a motor vehicle which is operated by a handicapped person and which has been modified so that such vehicle is fully controlled by specially designed mechanical devices for the handicapped, for a motor vehicle which is equipped with non-disengagable traction control, for any other motor vehicle originally manufactured with a particular design characteristic which makes its operation on a dynamometer either impractical or hazardous, as shall be determined in the discretion of the Director, or for any other motor vehicle with a chassis height that has been modified so as to make its operation on a dynamometer either impractical or hazardous, as shall be determined in the discretion of the Director. In such exceptional cases, a 2,500 RPM emission test, conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.5 and 7:27B-5.4, shall be administered. All motor vehicles which are subject to a loaded-mode (dynamometer-based) test shall not exceed the emission levels established at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 for such vehicles by the Department of Environmental Protection for hydrocarbons (HC), carbon monoxide (CO), and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x).

(b) An idle emission test shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.5 and 7:27B-5.3(b) on all gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles with model years 1980 and earlier, all gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles having a GVWR greater than 8,500 pounds, and on any other motor vehicle originally manufactured with a particular design characteristic which makes it either impractical or hazardous to conduct a 2,500 RPM emission test, as shall be determined in the discretion of the Director. A 2,500 RPM emission test shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.5 and 7:27B-5.4 on all low mileage vehicles with model years 1981 and later, on all low utilization modified performance vehicles with model years 1981 and later, on all full-time four-wheel drive vehicles with model years 1981 and later, on all motor vehicles that are operated by handicapped persons and have been modified so that such vehicles are fully controlled by specially designed mechanical devices for the handicapped with model years 1981 and later, on motor vehicles with model years

1981 and later which are equipped with non-disengagable traction control, on any other motor vehicle with model years 1981 and later originally manufactured with a particular design characteristic which makes its operation on a dynamometer either impractical or hazardous, as shall be determined in the discretion of the Director, and on any other motor vehicle with model years 1981 and later with a chassis height that has been modified so as to make its operation on a dynamometer either impractical or hazardous, as shall be determined in the discretion of the Director. All motor vehicles which are subject to an idle test or a 2,500 RPM emission test shall not exceed the emission levels established at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 for such vehicles by the Department of Environmental Protection for hydrocarbons (HC) and carbon monoxide (CO).

(c) An evaporative system purge test shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 on all post-1980 model year light-duty gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles and light-duty gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled trucks that were originally equipped with an evaporative emission control system when manufactured provided such vehicles are subject to a loaded-mode (dynamometer-based) test, unless a motor vehicle was originally manufactured with a particular design characteristic which makes it impractical to administer such test. All motor vehicles which are subject to the purge test shall meet the standards for such test established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4. Implementation of the evaporative system purge test required by this subsection shall be contingent upon the development of a Federal EPA methodology for conducting such test.

(d) An evaporative system integrity (pressure) test shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 on all post-1980 model year light-duty gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles and light-duty gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled trucks that were originally equipped with an evaporative emission control system when manufactured, unless a motor vehicle was originally manufactured with a particular design characteristic which makes it impractical to administer such test. Motor vehicles subject to the pressure test shall meet the standards for such test established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4. A gas cap pressure test shall be conducted on all motor vehicles originally equipped with a sealed gas cap. Motor vehicles subject to the gas cap pressure test shall meet the standards for such test established by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.12.

(e) An inspection shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 for the presence of the catalytic converter on all light-duty gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles and light-duty gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled trucks which were manufactured with a catalytic converter as original equipment or which were retrofitted with a catalytic converter. Motor vehicles shall fail inspection if the catalytic converter was a part of the original

certified configuration for the motor vehicle and the catalytic converter is missing or disconnected. If it is found that the catalytic converter is modified or improperly connected, or is not certified in accordance with EPA procedures, or is not of a type which was part of the original certified configuration for the motor vehicle, the motor vehicle shall fail inspection.

(f) A visible smoke test shall be conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4 on all gasoline-fueled and bi-fueled motor vehicles subject to inspection pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-1.

(g) The Director, as required by 40 CFR § 51.353(c)(3) to evaluate the effectiveness of the enhanced inspection and maintenance program, may require a motor vehicle which has been presented for an initial inspection to undergo an alternate emission inspection by his or her designee.

(h) A motor vehicle safety equipment inspection shall be conducted on all motor vehicles subject to inspection; provided, however, that with regard to Federal motor vehicles inspected in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.4 and motor vehicles registered in other states inspected in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.5, the safety equipment inspection required by this subsection shall be limited to an inspection of the motor vehicle's exhaust system. The following safety equipment shall be subject to inspection:

1. Steering and suspension;
2. Glazing and vision obstruction;
3. Headlights;
4. Red rear lights;
5. Stop lights;
6. Turn signals;
7. Reflectors;
8. Horn;
9. Windshield wipers;
10. Wheels and tires;
11. Exhaust system;
12. Mirrors;
13. Service brake (operation and pedal reserve);
14. Parking brake;
15. Brake equalization;
16. Seat belts; and
17. Such other equipment, as an inspection discloses will affect the safe operation of the vehicle or present an imminent safety hazard to its occupants or the public.

(i) Each motor vehicle inspection conducted pursuant to this subchapter shall include an examination of the driver's license, motor vehicle registration certificate and insurance identification card; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to Federal motor vehicles inspected in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.4 or to motor vehicles registered in other states inspected in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.5.

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

Amended model years throughout; in (b), reference to full-time four-wheel drive vehicles, the model year for vehicles controlled by devices for the handicapped, and vehicles whose operation on a dynamometer is impracticable or hazardous inserted; and in (d), inserted gas cap pressure test and gas cap standards provisions.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (a), rewrote the first sentence; in (b), rewrote the second and third sentences; deleted "idle" following "RPM" and updated N.J.A.C. references throughout.

13:20-43.9 Inspection reports; emission-related repair forms

(a) The operator of each motor vehicle shall be provided with a motor vehicle inspection report and inspection report supplement, if issued, upon completion of an inspection. The motor vehicle inspection report and inspection report supplement, if issued, shall include:

1. The inspection facility number;
2. The type of test(s) performed;
3. The date of the inspection;
4. The inspection serial number;
5. The inspection certificate number;
6. The vehicle model year, make, and body type;
7. The vehicle license plate number;
8. The fuel type;
9. The gross vehicle weight rating;
10. The vehicle identification number;
11. The vehicle odometer reading to the nearest 1,000 miles;
12. The category of inspection (that is, initial inspection, first reinspection, second reinspection, etc.);
13. The pass/fail result of applicable visual inspections;
14. Results of the evaporative system functional tests;
15. The type of vehicle preconditioning performed, if applicable;
16. Results of the safety inspection;

(b) The owner or lessee of a motor vehicle registered in New Jersey which cannot be presented for inspection in this or another State prior to the expiration of the certificate of approval or certificate of waiver issued for the motor vehicle because it is temporarily located in a state or region that does not have an enhanced I/M program shall notify the Division of the date upon which the motor vehicle will be returned to New Jersey. If a current registration has been issued for the motor vehicle, the Director or his or her designee may, for good cause, issue a letter extending the time period in which to have the motor vehicle inspected. The inspection extension shall be valid from its effective date to 14 days from the date upon which the owner or lessee returns the motor vehicle to New Jersey, but in no event shall the extension be valid beyond the expiration of the two year inspection cycle established for the motor vehicle except as hereafter provided. The Director shall issue an inspection extension of greater length pursuant to this subsection to a motor vehicle owner or lessee who is on active military duty and is stationed in another state or region that does not have an enhanced I/M program, or to a motor vehicle owner or lessee who is attending college or graduate school in another state or region that does not have an enhanced I/M program.

(c) The owner or lessee of a motor vehicle registered in New Jersey which cannot be presented for inspection or reinspection prior to the date by which the motor vehicle must be presented for such inspection or reinspection due to the ill health of the motor vehicle owner or lessee, or for other good cause, shall notify the Division of such circumstance. If a current registration has been issued for the motor vehicle, the Director or his or her designee may, for good cause, issue a letter extending the time period in which to have the motor vehicle inspected or reinspected; provided, however, that such an extension shall not be granted for a motor vehicle which has failed inspection and requires repairs pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6. The inspection extension shall be valid until such date as specified by the Director or his or her designee, but in no event shall the extension be valid beyond the expiration of the two year inspection cycle established for the motor vehicle.

(d) The owner or lessee of a motor vehicle registered in New Jersey which has failed inspection and requires repairs, other than repairs required to be made pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6, which cannot be completed prior to the date by which the motor vehicle must be presented for reinspection due to the nature of the repairs which are required, shall notify the Division of the date upon which the repairs to the motor vehicle shall be completed. If a current registration has been issued for the motor vehicle, the Director or his or her designee may, for good cause, issue a letter extending the time period in which to have the motor vehicle reinspected. The inspection extension shall be valid from its effective date to 14 days from the date upon which the repairs to the motor vehicle have been completed, but in no event shall the extension be valid beyond the expiration of

the two year inspection cycle established for the motor vehicle.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).
Rewrote the section.

13:20-43.13 Waivers; criteria for issuance; denial of warranty form; repair receipt form; waiver valid for inspection cycle; waiver issuance

(a) A motor vehicle which fails to satisfy the applicable emission standards as set forth in the rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-5 shall be eligible for a certificate of waiver if the following requirements are satisfied:

1. The vehicle has failed to pass a loaded-mode emission reinspection after all qualifying repairs have been completed;
2. The motor vehicle has passed an idle emission test conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.5 and 7:27B-4.4(b);
3. The motor vehicle has passed a safety inspection conducted in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-32 or 33, whichever is applicable, and this subchapter;
4. The owner or lessee has provided written proof to the satisfaction of the Director that all available warranty repairs have been made to the motor vehicle or a written denial of warranty coverage from the manufacturer or authorized dealer in a form prescribed for such purpose by the Director;
5. Repairs were appropriate to the cause of the test failure and were performed 60 days or less prior to the date on which the initial enhanced test was due;
6. Emission-related repairs were performed by a registered motor vehicle emission repair facility or by the owner or lessee of the vehicle, provided he or she possesses a nationally recognized certification for emission-related diagnosis and repairs. Any owner or lessee of a motor vehicle may perform emission-related repairs of the emission control system and/or may perform an emission-related process; provided, that only the cost of parts incurred by the owner or lessee during the course of the repair of such system shall be applied toward the applicable waiver amount in (a)8 below;
7. Original repair receipts are submitted to the Division verifying that qualifying repairs have been performed; and
8. Prior to January 1, 2002, the owner or lessee has expended no less than the applicable amount specified at 40 C.F.R. § 51.360(a)(6) for emission-related repairs of the motor vehicle excluding any repairs made under warranty coverage. Beginning on January 1, 2002, the owner or lessee has expended no less than \$450.00 for

emission-related repairs of the motor vehicle excluding any repairs made under warranty coverage.

(b) A waiver shall not be issued to a motor vehicle for tampering-related repairs. The cost of tampering-related repairs shall not be counted towards the cost limits in (a)8 above.

(c) A waiver shall not be issued to a motor vehicle which fails an evaporative system purge test or an evaporative system integrity (pressure) test if the cause for such failure is safety-related.

(d) A waiver shall expire at the end of the specific inspection cycle for which it was granted, after which the vehicle shall either pass inspection or qualify for issuance of another waiver pursuant to this section.

(e) The Director, or his or her designee, shall issue a certificate of waiver for those motor vehicles satisfying all the requirements of this section. The certificate of waiver shall be affixed to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle.

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

In (a)5, inserted 60 day provision; and in (a)8, substituted "January 1, 2000" for "January 1, 1998".

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

In (a), changed N.J.A.C. references in 2 and 3, substituted a reference to motor vehicles for a reference to vehicles in 3, rewrote 6, and substituted references to 2002 for references to 2000 in 8.

Amended by R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

In (a), substituted "7:27B-5" for "7:27B-4" in the introductory paragraph and substituted "\$450.00" for "the amount specified at 40 C.F.R. § 51.360(a)(7)" in 8.

13:20-43.14 On-road inspections; scope; inspection procedures; criteria for selecting vehicles; procedures upon inspection failure

(a) On-road motor vehicle safety and emission inspection is intended to complement the safety and emission inspection otherwise required in the State of New Jersey by law or regulation.

(b) On-road inspection shall consist of a safety inspection, a visible smoke test, a tailpipe emission inspection, an inspection for the presence and integrity of the motor vehicle's catalytic converter, including a tap test thereof, an examination of the driver's license, motor vehicle registration certificate and insurance identification card, and such other tests as may be determined by the Director.

(c) On-road emission inspection procedures shall utilize the BAR 90 analyzer or such other emission inspection equipment approved by the Director after consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.5(f).

(d) On-road emission inspection shall be conducted using the emission inspection standards set forth in rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(e) The Division shall use the following criteria in determining which motor vehicles shall be subjected to on-road safety and emission inspection:

1. Motor vehicles with an observable defect(s);
2. Motor vehicles without an inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver;
3. Motor vehicles with an expired inspection certificate of approval or certificate of waiver;
4. Motor vehicles with an expired inspection rejection sticker or other indication that the motor vehicle has failed inspection and has not been presented for reinspection within the period of time specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.5, 7.6(a), or (g) below, whichever is applicable;
5. Motor vehicles without a registration plate(s) and/or registration plate decal(s);
6. Motor vehicles with an expired registration plate decal(s);
7. Motor vehicles which fail to meet minimum emission standards as determined by a remote sensing device; or

8. Motor vehicles which correspond to a predetermined numerical sequence established by Division supervisory personnel for subjecting motor vehicles to on-road safety and emission inspection (for example, every fifth motor vehicle, every tenth motor vehicle, etc.).

(f) If a motor vehicle subject to on-road inspection fails to meet minimum safety and/or emission standards, an inspection rejection sticker shall be affixed to the lower left corner of the windshield inside the passenger compartment of the motor vehicle.

(g) The owner or lessee of a motor vehicle which has failed an on-road inspection shall have the necessary repairs made and present the motor vehicle for reinspection within 30 days of the date of the on-road inspection rejection, except as otherwise provided at N.J.A.C. 13:20-7.6(a).

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote (e); and in (g), changed N.J.A.C. reference.

13:20-43.15 Recall compliance procedures; purpose; applicability; notice to owner; recall compliance form; transfer of ownership; denial and suspension of registration

(a) Owners and lessees of motor vehicles which are included in either a "Voluntary Emissions Recall" as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 85.1902(d), or in a remedial plan determination made pursuant to section 207(c) of the Federal Clean Air Act, shall present such vehicles to the manufacturer or authorized dealer for emission-related repairs and shall comply with the procedures set forth in this section.

New Rule, R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

13:20-43.30 Hearing procedures; third party emission inspector training programs

Any hearing concerning the refusal to approve or the withdrawal of approval of a third party emission inspector training program shall be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and the Uniform Administrative Procedure Rules, N.J.A.C. 1:1.

New Rule, R.2001 d.358, effective October 15, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 1894(a), 33 N.J.R. 3651(b).

SUBCHAPTER 44. PRIVATE INSPECTION FACILITY LICENSING

13:20-44.1 Purpose

(a) P.L. 1995, c.112 provides for the licensing and regulation of private inspection facilities by the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles. The purposes of this subchapter are to:

1. Establish a system for the licensing of private inspection facilities which perform inspections and/or reinspections on motor vehicles and issue certifications for motor vehicles, including emission control system inspections; and
2. Establish standards and procedures necessary to protect the public from incompetent, dishonest, deceptive and fraudulent practices in the inspection, reinspection and certification of motor vehicles, including emission control systems, and to eliminate or exclude from licensing those persons who engage in such practices or who otherwise demonstrate unfitness.

(b) The Division finds that in order to ensure that motor vehicles which are inspected, reinspected and certified by a private inspection facility are satisfactorily inspected, reinspected and certified and are in proper condition to be operated on the highways of this State and to ensure that inspections, reinspections and certifications are performed in accordance with the standards established by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-33 and 13:20-43 and the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, a licensed private inspection facility must possess certain equipment used in the inspection, reinspection and certification of motor vehicles, including emission control systems.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).
In (b), changed N.J.A.C. references.

13:20-44.2 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Advertising” means any printed or published materials including, but not limited to, direct mail, circulars, leaflets, pamphlets, newspapers, magazines, billboards, yellow pages of any telephone directory, radio and/or television broadcasts, and any other advertising medium of communication used to induce the public to seek the services of the private inspection facility. The term “advertising” shall not include printed or published materials appearing in the white pages of any telephone directory.

“Applicant” means any person applying under the provisions of this subchapter for an initial license to engage in the business of a private inspection facility or to renew an existing license. In the case of a partnership or corporation applying for a license, the term “applicant” shall respectively include all partners and/or officers and directors and/or persons having a controlling interest in a sole proprietorship or corporation.

“Bi-fueled” means powered by gasoline and by an alternative fuel, but not on a mixture of the two fuels. Each fuel is stored in a separate tank. For example, a vehicle may operate on either propane or gasoline, but it cannot operate on both at the same time. Typically, these vehicles will consume the alternative fuel until the supply is exhausted, then switch over, often automatically, to use the traditional fuel. This term shall not include vehicles powered by electric motors.

“Controlling interest” means possession of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a private inspection facility, whether through the ownership of voting securities or otherwise. The Director will presume that control in fact exists if any person or entity directly or indirectly owns, controls, holds the power to vote, or holds proxies representing 10 percent or more of the voting securities of any private inspection facility. This presumption may be rebutted by showing that control does not in fact exist. The Director may determine that control in fact exists, notwithstanding the presence or absence of a presumption to that effect.

“Department” means the Department of Environmental Protection in the State of New Jersey.

“Director” means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Division” means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Emission control system” means a device or equipment installed on a motor vehicle by the vehicle manufacturer

and/or the engine manufacturer for the purpose of controlling air contaminants emitted from the motor vehicle or motor vehicle engine, including devices or equipment integral with, but not limited to, exhaust emission control systems, fuel evaporation control systems, crankcase emission control systems, and associated devices or systems which control or monitor the function and maintenance of these devices or systems.

“Engaged in the business” means:

1. Any person who inspects, reinspects and certifies motor vehicles, including motor vehicle emission control systems; or
2. Any person who for compensation negotiates, in any manner, with any customer to inspect, reinspect and certify motor vehicles, including emission control systems.

“Federal Clean Air Act” means the federal “Clean Air Act,” 42 U.S.C. §7401 et seq., and any subsequent amendments or supplements to that act.

“Gross vehicle weight rating” or “GVWR” means the value specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a single or combination (articulated) vehicle.

“Heavy-duty gasoline-fueled vehicle” means a gasoline-fueled motor vehicle that has a GVWR of more than 8,500 pounds and that is designed primarily for transportation of persons or property.

“Jitney” means an autobus as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:16-23 with a carrying capacity of not more than 13 passengers, operated under municipal consent upon a route established wholly within the limits of a single municipality or with a carrying capacity of not more than 20 passengers operated under municipal consent upon a route established wholly within the limits of not more than four contiguous municipalities within any county of the fifth or sixth class, which route in either case does not, in whole or in part, parallel upon the same street the line of any street railway or traction railway or any other autobus route.

“Light-duty gasoline-fueled truck” means a gasoline-fueled motor vehicle that has a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less, a vehicle curb weight of 6,000 pounds or less, and a basic frontal area of 45 square feet or less, and that is:

1. Designed primarily for the transportation of property or more than 12 passengers; or
2. Available with special features enabling off-street or off-highway operation and use.

“Light-duty gasoline-fueled vehicle” means a gasoline-fueled motor vehicle that has a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less, is designed primarily for use as a passenger car or is a passenger car derivative and is capable of seating 12 or fewer passengers.

“Model year” means, with respect to a motor vehicle, the year in which the motor vehicle is considered to have been manufactured. If the manufacturer establishes an annual production period, designation of the year shall be based on the annual production period during which the manufacturer begins production of the motor vehicle. When such annual production period falls within one calendar year, the model year attributed to the motor vehicle shall be that calendar year. When such annual production period continues from one calendar year into the next, the model year attributed to the motor vehicle shall be the latter calendar year (for example, a motor vehicle produced in an annual production period that continues from 1994 to 1995 shall be considered as being produced in the 1995 model year). If the manufacturer establishes no annual production period, a motor vehicle’s model year shall be the calendar year in which the manufacturer begins production of that motor vehicle. If a motor vehicle is manufactured in two or more stages, the model year of such a motor vehicle shall be based on the date of completion of the chassis. In case of any dispute, the Director shall have sole discretion to determine the model year of a vehicle for purposes of this subchapter. For purposes of this subchapter, the Director may, in his or her discretion, determine that “model year” means the model year designated for the motor vehicle as contained in the vehicle identification number for such vehicle.

“Motor vehicle emission testing equipment” means equipment in accordance with specifications contained in N.J.A.C. 7:27B-4.14. The equipment shall include all devices used for performing a motor vehicle emission inspection, including, but not limited to, exhaust gas analyzers, evaporative pressure testing apparatus, evaporative purge testing apparatus, dynamometers, computers and related software.

“Person” means any natural person, business, company, firm, partnership, association, corporation or any other entity.

“Place of business” means the address or location where the services of a private inspection facility are offered or ordinarily performed.

“Private inspection facility” means any person who for compensation engages in the business of inspecting, re-inspecting and certifying motor vehicles, including emission control systems. For purposes of this subchapter, an employee of a private inspection facility who engages in the business of inspecting, re-inspecting and certifying motor vehicles, including emission control systems, solely by reason of his or her employment is not deemed to be a private inspection facility and is not required to be licensed as such.

“Private inspection facility license” means a license issued to a private inspection facility which evidences the Director’s authorization for the facility to engage in the inspection, reinspection and certification of motor vehicles, including motor vehicle emission control systems.

“Reconstructed vehicle” means a vehicle which has been materially altered from its original construction by the removal, addition or substitution of essential parts, new or used.

“Suspension, revocation or refusal to grant or renew” means administrative action by the Director, in accordance with the provisions of P.L. 1995, c.112 or this subchapter, to refuse to grant or renew a private inspection facility license or to suspend or revoke an existing license.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Inserted “Bi-fueled” and “Jitney”; in “Emission control system”, substituted a reference to vehicle manufacturers and engine manufacturers for a reference to manufacturers, and inserted a reference to maintenance; and in “Motor vehicle emission testing equipment”, changed N.J.A.C. reference.

13:20-44.3 Scope; license required; vehicle classes; inspection services; license classes

(a) This subchapter shall apply to every person engaged in the business of a private inspection facility which performs inspections, re-inspections and certifications of motor vehicles, including emission control systems.

(b) No person shall, on or after June 29, 1995, engage in the business of a private inspection facility unless licensed by

the Director in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter.

(c) Private inspection facilities shall be licensed to engage in the inspection, reinspection and certification of light-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles, light-duty gasoline-fueled trucks, heavy-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles, bi-fueled motor vehicles, diesel-fueled automobiles, diesel-fueled trucks having a GVWR of less than 10,000 pounds, motorcycles, buses (including modified buses regardless of passenger capacity which have been issued passenger, governmental, no fee, or commercial vehicle license plates by the Division), and jitneys; provided, however, private inspection facilities shall not inspect school buses, buses which are subject to inspection by the Division’s Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit, or motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which are subject to inspection in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-37.

(d) Class I and Class II licensed private inspection facilities shall provide inspection, reinspection and certification services in all motor vehicle inspection categories, other than motorcycle inspection categories, established by the Division, including the following inspection categories:

1. Credentials;
2. Engine emissions;
3. Brake system;
4. Exhaust system;
5. Steering, suspension, tires and wheels;
6. Glass (windshield, windows);
7. Electrical (all switches, signals, wipers, lenses and lights, including headlights); and
8. Miscellaneous (any inspection item not in other categories)

(e) Class III licensed private inspection facilities shall provide inspection, reinspection and certification services in all motorcycle inspection categories established by the Division, including the following inspection categories:

1. Credentials;
2. Brake system;
3. Exhaust system;
4. Steering, suspension, tires, and wheels;
5. Glazing (windscreen);
6. Electrical (all switches, signals, wipers, lenses, and lights, including headlights); and
7. Miscellaneous (any inspection item not in other categories).

(f) Each motor vehicle inspection conducted by a private inspection facility pursuant to this subchapter shall include

an examination of the driver's license, motor vehicle registration certificate and insurance identification card; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to Federal motor vehicles inspected in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.4 or to motor vehicles registered in other states inspected in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.5.

(g) Private inspection facilities shall be licensed in the following classes:

1. Class I licenses shall be issued to private inspection facilities to engage in the inspection and certification of light-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles, light-duty gasoline-fueled trucks, heavy-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles, bi-fueled motor vehicles, diesel-fueled automobiles, diesel-fueled trucks having a GVWR of less than 10,000 pounds, buses, and jitneys.

2. Class II licenses shall be issued to owners or lessees of fleets of 10 or more light-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles, light-duty gasoline-fueled trucks, heavy-duty gasoline-fueled vehicles, bi-fueled motor vehicles, diesel-fueled automobiles, or diesel-fueled trucks having a GVWR of less than 10,000 pounds to engage in the inspection and certification of such motor vehicles.

3. Class III licenses shall be issued to private inspection facilities to engage in the inspection and certification of motorcycles.

(h) Any private inspection facility which is also registered as a motor vehicle emission repair facility pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-45 and which inspects, reinspects and certifies fleet motor vehicles that it owns or leases shall be exempted from the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-45.10 for those vehicles.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).
Rewrote the section.

13:20-44.4 Initial application for a license

(a) Any person seeking to engage in the business of a private inspection facility shall apply, in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter, to the Director for a license authorizing him or her to engage in such business. An application for a private inspection facility license may be obtained from the Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit of the Division. The address of the Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit is:

Division of Motor Vehicles
Business License Compliance
Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit
225 East State Street
PO Box 170
Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0170

(b) Each applicant for a private inspection facility license shall file with the Director, in such form and detail as may be required by him or her, an application setting forth the following:

1. The name, place of business and telephone number of the private inspection facility;

2. The name, business and residence address(es), driver's license number, social security number and telephone number(s) of:

i. The owner and/or possessor of a controlling interest of the facility, in the case of a sole proprietorship;

ii. Each partner, in the case of a partnership; or

iii. Each officer, director and possessor of a controlling interest, in the case of a corporation;

3. The businesses in which the applicant has been engaged for the five years preceding the date of application, and if employed, the names and addresses of the employers;

4. Whether the applicant has ever been convicted of a crime, disorderly persons offense or petty disorderly persons offense;

5. Whether the applicant has ever been found to be in violation of the Federal Clean Air Act or the Consumer Fraud Act (N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq.) or any regulations adopted thereunder or N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.7 pertaining to tampering with emission control apparatus;

6. Whether the applicant has ever been denied, or had suspended or revoked, a license or registration to engage in any business, profession or occupation licensed or registered under the laws of any state; and

7. Whether the applicant has any interest in any other private inspection facility or any motor vehicle related business.

(c) Each initial application for a private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by proof of the following:

1. The New Jersey Sales Tax Identification Number;

2. The New Jersey Unemployment Registration Number;

3. The Federal Employer Identification Number;

4. The corporation code, if one has been issued by the Division;

5. Proof in such form as the Director may require that the applicant meets the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.9; and

6. Proof of valid permits or other authorization from the appropriate Federal, State or other governmental agencies authorizing operation of the business or any equipment, service or process on the premises. These permits shall include, but are not limited to, proof of registration with the New Jersey Division of Taxation and the Department of Environmental Protection.

(d) Each initial application for a private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by a color photograph and a complete set of fingerprints for each natural person required to be listed on the application by this section.

1. The applicable nonrefundable fee as set forth at N.J.A.C. 13:59-1.2 payable to the Division of State Police—State Bureau of Identification shall be submitted for each natural person required to be fingerprinted. The payment of this fee shall be in the form of a cashier's check, certified check or money order as required by N.J.A.C. 13:59-1.5.

2. Fingerprints required by this subsection shall be taken by a member of the State Police or municipal law enforcement agency and submitted on the standard fingerprint cards as required by N.J.A.C. 13:59-1.4.

(e) Each initial application for a private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by proof of liability insurance coverage in the following minimum amounts: for injury to, or death of any one person in any one occurrence: \$100,000; for injury to, or death of two or more persons in any one occurrence: \$300,000; for damage to property in any one occurrence: \$50,000. Proof of insurance coverage shall be in the form of a certificate issued by the carrier containing a clause that 30 days prior notice shall be given to the Division of any cancellation or termination of the policy. Failure to maintain such insurance coverage shall be cause for immediate license suspension.

(f) Each initial application for a private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by the applicable fees as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.6.

(g) If there are multiple locations for private inspection facilities owned by the same applicant, a separate application, accompanying documents, and application and license fee as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.6 shall be submitted for each such place of business.

(h) Upon preliminary approval of each initial license application, a license shall be issued to the private inspection facility. Each initial license issued to a private inspection facility on or after June 29, 1995 shall be effective on the date of issuance and shall continue in force and effect until June 30, 2000, and shall, thereafter, be renewed on an annual basis, unless such license is suspended or revoked by the Director. If there are multiple places of business for a private inspection facility, a separate license shall be issued for each such place of business.

(i) The Director may grant a conditional license to an applicant who submits proof that all of the requirements for licensing will be met in accordance with a schedule set by the Director, and who agrees that the conditional license will be surrendered immediately if proof is not provided in accordance with the schedule. The Director may suspend the license of an applicant who does not surrender the conditional license when so required.

(j) All private inspection facilities that apply to renew a private inspection facility license on or after June 29, 1995 must satisfy all of the requirements of (c)5 above. A private inspection facility whose license has been suspended by the Director and which applies for reinstatement on or after June 29, 1995 must satisfy the requirements of (c)5 above prior to restoration of the license.

(k) The Division shall not issue a private inspection facility license to an applicant who is the holder of a private inspection center license while any type of enforcement action, either judicial or administrative, is pending or in force against the applicant's private inspection center license.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

In (h), substituted a reference to 2000 for a reference to 1998.

13:20-44.5 Applicant qualifications

(a) Each applicant shall be a proper person to hold a private inspection facility license. In assessing whether an applicant is a proper person, the Director shall consider the character, financial responsibility, prior record while operating as a principal of a business entity licensed or regulated by the Division, and criminal record of the individual applicant, the individual partners, the officers, directors and/or persons possessing a controlling interest, and anyone employed by, or otherwise associated in business with, the applicant. The Director shall also consider whether the private inspection facility has maintained acceptable levels of customer satisfaction, the nature and number of all valid customer complaints against the private inspection facility, and the manner and extent by which those complaints have been resolved by the private inspection facility.

(b) Each applicant shall be at least 18 years old, and must have the legal capacity to contract, to be sued and to be liable for all debts.

13:20-44.6 Application and license fees

(a) Each initial application for a private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of \$20.00 payable to the Division. In the event that an initial applicant simultaneously submits applications for a Class I and Class III private inspection facility license, only one application fee shall be payable to the Division pursuant to this subsection.

(b) Each initial or renewal application for a Class I or Class II private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by a license fee of \$250.00 payable to the Division. Such license fee shall be returned to the applicant only in the event that the Director refuses to grant or renew a private inspection facility license. Such license fee, or any portion thereof, shall not be refunded to the licensee in the event that the private inspection facility license is suspended or revoked pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 et seq. or this subchapter, or if the licensee voluntarily surrenders the license at any time during the license period.

(c) Each initial or renewal application for a Class III private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by a license fee of \$25.00 payable to the Division. Such license fee shall be returned to the applicant only in the event that the Director refuses to grant or renew a private inspection facility license. Such license fee, or any portion thereof, shall not be refunded to the licensee in the event that the private inspection facility license is suspended or revoked pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 et seq. or this subchapter, or if the licensee voluntarily surrenders the license at any time during the license period.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).
Rewrote the section.

13:20-44.7 License renewals

(a) Each licensee shall, no later than 30 days before the expiration of the license, submit to the Director an application to renew its current license provided that such licensee is not prohibited from applying for a license as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.25. An application to renew a private inspection facility license may be obtained from the Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit of the Division at the address specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4(a).

(b) Each application to renew a private inspection facility license shall be accompanied by the applicable license renewal fee(s) specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.6 and proof of liability insurance coverage as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4(e).

(c) Upon approval of each renewal application, a license shall be issued to the private inspection facility. Each renewal license issued to a private inspection facility effective on or after July 1 of any year shall continue in force and effect until June 30 of the following year, unless such license is suspended or revoked by the Director.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

In (b), substituted a reference to license renewal fees for a reference to fees, and changed N.J.A.C. reference.

13:20-44.8 Surrender of license

(a) Each private inspection facility license, although issued and delivered to a licensee, shall at all times be the property of the State of New Jersey.

(b) Upon any suspension, revocation, refusal or failure to renew or other termination of a private inspection facility license, the license shall no longer be in force and effect and the license shall be surrendered forthwith upon demand of a Division representative.

13:20-44.9 Facilities and equipment

(a) Licensed private inspection facilities shall be located in a structure having a garage-type entrance and one or more service bays or lanes; except that licensed private inspection facilities which perform inspections, reinspections and certifications exclusively at the business locations of owners or lessees of fleet motor vehicles may be exempted from the provisions of this subsection.

(b) Motor vehicle emission testing equipment, approved by the Department of Environmental Protection, shall be owned or leased by a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility and shall be located on the business premises of the facility.

(c) A vehicle lift or heavy duty floor jack shall be available on the business premises of a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility.

(d) Brake testing equipment, for example, a drive-on horizontal scale or roller-type tester, shall be available on the business premises of the facility. The brake testing equipment requirements of this subsection may be waived by the Division upon receipt of written notification from the licensee expressing its commitment to make visual inspections of the brake system and to perform road tests of the brake system.

(e) A tire tread depth gauge calibrated in 32nds of an inch shall be available on the business premises of the facility.

(f) Electronic medium for retrieval of motor vehicle inspection information from, and for transmission of motor vehicle inspection information to, the Division's data base shall be available on the business premises of a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

In (b), inserted "Class I or Class II licensed" following "leased by a"; in (c), substituted "a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection" for "the" following "premises of"; and in (f), inserted "motor vehicle" preceding "inspection" throughout, and substituted "a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection" for "the" following "premises of".

13:20-44.10 Inspection certificates of approval

(a) The inspection certificate of approval issued for motor vehicles, other than motorcycles, shall be composed of a base inspection sticker and insert indicating respectively the year and month of expiration of the certificate of approval. The insert shall contain a bar-coded identifier linked to the motor vehicle. The inspection certificate of approval issued for motorcycles shall be composed of a one-piece sticker indicating the year and month of expiration of the certificate of approval.

(b) Base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles and inspection certificates of approval for motorcycles shall be purchased by a licensee, by mail or in person, from the Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit of the Division at the address specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4(a).

(c) Base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles and inspection certificates of approval for motorcycles shall be purchased by a licensee at \$1.00 per sticker in quantities of 25 or more.

(d) A licensee shall secure base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles and inspection certificates of approval for motorcycles in a locked place of limited access, such as a safe, cabinet, or desk drawer. The licensee is solely responsible for the security of base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles and inspection certificates of approval for motorcycles. A licensee's failure to take necessary precautions to secure base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles and inspection certificates of approval for motorcycles from loss or theft shall be cause for suspension or revocation of the license.

(e) A licensee shall affix an inspection certificate of approval to a motor vehicle only after inspection or reinspection has been successfully completed.

(f) When defects detected at an inspection conducted at an official inspection facility or at a private inspection facility have been repaired or adjusted by the licensee or by an employee of the licensee, the licensee shall insure, prior to affixation of a certificate of approval on the vehicle, that the person or persons who performed the repair or adjustment work has signed his or her name on the motor vehicle inspection report. When defects detected at inspection have been repaired by someone other than the licensee or an employee of the licensee, the licensee shall insure, prior to affixation of a certificate of approval on the vehicle, that the person or persons who inspected the vehicle have signed his or her name on the motor vehicle inspection report at the bottom of its reverse side.

(g) A Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility shall not certify the emissions of any motor vehicle unless an emission inspector licensed by the Division in accordance with chapter 8 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes and N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.17 has personally performed the emission inspection or reinspection and has determined that the motor vehicle meets the emission standards adopted by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-43 and the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4. A Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility shall not certify the emissions of any motor vehicle which has been rejected because of an emission test failure unless a certified emission repair technician or the owner or lessee of the motor vehicle has performed the emission-related repairs.

(h) A licensee shall secure motor vehicle inspection reports separate and apart from base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles, and shall secure motorcycle inspection cards separate and apart from inspection certificates of approval for motorcycles, in a locked place of limited access, such as a safe, cabinet, or desk drawer.

(i) A licensee shall record the date of issuance of the inspection certificate of approval on the corresponding motor vehicle inspection report or motorcycle inspection card.

(j) A licensee shall retain defective or voided inspection certificates of approval, motor vehicle inspection reports, and motorcycle inspection cards and shall surrender them to a Division representative at the time of a periodic audit conducted by the Division.

(k) A licensee shall notify the local law enforcement agency upon determining that a base inspection sticker(s) for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or a certificate(s) of approval for a motorcycle has been stolen and shall file a copy of such report with the Division.

(l) A licensee shall return all unused base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles, all unused certificates of approval for motorcycles, all unused motor vehicle inspection reports, and all unused motorcycle inspection cards to a Division representative upon the licensee's discontinuation of inspection certification services.

(m) A licensee shall be solely responsible for base inspection stickers for motor vehicles other than motorcycles, certificates of approval for motorcycles, motor vehicle inspection reports, and motorcycle inspection cards issued to it by the Division.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.
Sec: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote the section.

13:20-44.11 Responsibility of licensees

(a) In the case of a sole proprietorship, the owner and/or possessor of a controlling interest in the private inspection facility shall be responsible to the Director for the conduct of the business of the facility and for all actions performed by its employees in connection with the business of the facility concerning violations of P.L. 1995, c.112 or this subchapter.

(b) In the case of a partnership or corporation, each partner, or corporate officer and/or director, or any person or entity possessing a controlling interest, as the case may be, shall be held individually responsible to the Director for the conduct of the business of the facility and for all actions performed by its employees in connection with the business of the facility concerning violations of P.L. 1995, c.112 or this subchapter.

13:20-44.12 Notice and recordkeeping requirements

(a) Each licensee, except a Class II licensed private inspection facility, shall display an outdoor sign which shall read: "Official New Jersey Private Inspection Facility." The sign shall include the license number of the private inspection facility. The sign shall contain letters at least two inches high with a stroke of approximately one-half inch, be visible from the road and be located in a conspicuous location for the general public to see. If zoning ordinances prohibit the posting of such sign or such posting is otherwise impractical, the licensee shall prominently display such sign on the exterior of the private inspection facility.

(b) Every license issued in accordance with this subchapter shall be prominently displayed in the office, waiting area or other conspicuous location which is accessible to the public at the private inspection facility.

(c) Every licensed private inspection facility shall maintain copies of all motor vehicle inspection reports and other documents prepared by that facility for inspections, re-inspections, certifications and repair work performed by that facility.

1. Such copies shall be kept for at least four years and shall be available for inspection by the Director, the Attorney General, the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs, the Superintendent of the Division of State Police, or any person designated by them, during normal business hours.

2. A licensee's failure to permit such inspection shall subject the licensee to administrative action pursuant to this subchapter.

(d) Every private inspection facility shall, upon request of the Director or any person designated by him or her, provide the Director or his or her designee with a list of its employees in such form and detail as may be required by the Director or his or her designee. Failure to provide such list when requested shall subject the licensee to administrative action pursuant to this subchapter.

(e) The licensee shall notify the Director in writing within 10 days whenever any person acquires ownership or control of 10 percent or more of the stock of a private inspection facility, or whenever a person becomes a partner or limited partner in a private inspection facility.

(f) The licensee shall notify the Director in writing within 10 days of any change in address of the private inspection facility or of any change in address of persons or entities required to be listed on the application by N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4.

(g) The licensee shall notify the Director in writing within 10 days whenever any person or entity required to be listed on the application by N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4 is no longer associated with the private inspection facility.

(h) All written notifications required by this subchapter shall be made by either personal delivery or sent by certified mail to the Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit of the Division at the address specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4(a).

(i) An amended application shall be filed by the licensee with the Director when there is a substitution and/or addition of persons or entities required to be listed on the application by N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.4. The licensee shall also comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.6(a) and 13:20-44.4(d).

(j) Any process issued to a licensee pursuant to the statutory authority of the Director including, but not limited to, subpoenas, orders, and orders to show cause, may be served upon a licensee or counsel of record, by sending said process by certified or ordinary mail, to the business address of the private inspection facility or to counsel's address on record with the Division.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

In (a), substituted "Class II licensed private" for "private fleet" following "except a", and substituted "Official" for "Licensed: State of" following "read:".

13:20-44.13 Records; inspection reports

(a) A licensee shall maintain copies of motor vehicle inspection reports and motorcycle inspection cards in an order corresponding to the date on which the inspection certificate of approval was issued.

(b) A licensee shall maintain repair orders and invoices (bills for parts and labor) in the form required by N.J.A.C. 13:45A-26C.

(c) A licensee shall record the repair order and invoice number or numbers on the motor vehicle inspection report or motorcycle inspection card.

(d) Records required to be maintained by a licensee pursuant to this section shall remain on file at the licensee's place of business for a period of four years from the date of issuance of the inspection certificate of approval.

(e) Records required to be maintained by a licensee pursuant to this section shall be made available by the licensee for examination by authorized representatives of the Division, the Department of Environmental Protection or the Division of Consumer Affairs at any time during regular business hours. Investigators and other authorized representatives of the Division, the Department of Environmental Protection or the Division of Consumer Affairs shall be granted access to the licensee's business premises during regular business hours.

(f) A licensee's failure to permit investigators and other personnel from the Division, the Department of Environmental Protection or the Division of Consumer Affairs on the premises of the licensee during regular business hours for purposes of conducting investigations shall be cause for suspension or revocation of the private inspection facility license. Such investigations may include, but shall not be limited to, discussions with customers, examination of motor vehicle emission testing equipment and other equipment specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-44.9, questioning of employees and the employment of such other investigatory techniques as may be necessary for the enforcement of this subchapter and the provisions of Title 39, Title 26 and Title 56 of the Revised Statutes and the regulations adopted thereunder by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-43, the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4, and the Division of Consumer Affairs at N.J.A.C. 13:45A-26C.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote (a) and (b); in (c), added a reference to motorcycle inspection cards; in (d), substituted a reference to inspection certificates of approval for a reference to base inspection stickers; in (e), substituted "or" for "and" following "Protection" throughout; in (f), changed N.J.A.C. references.

13:20-44.14 Certification of inspection

(a) Each Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility shall have the authority to perform inspections in all motor vehicle inspection categories established by the Division and to certify that specific items for which a motor vehicle was rejected at inspection have been corrected so that the motor vehicle is in proper operating condition and that it conforms to the inspection standards adopted by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-33 and 43 and the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(b) Each Class III licensed private inspection facility shall have the authority to perform inspections in all motorcycle inspection categories established by the Division and to certify that specific items for which a motorcycle was rejected at inspection have been corrected so that the motorcycle is in proper operating condition.

(c) A Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility shall not certify that items for which a motor vehicle was rejected at inspection have been corrected unless the licensee, or a licensed emission inspector or mechanic acting as an employee or agent of the licensee, has inspected the motor vehicle in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-33 and has determined that all defects detected at inspection have been corrected so that the motor vehicle is in proper operating condition and that it conforms to the inspection standards adopted by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-33 and 43 and the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(d) A Class III licensed private inspection facility shall not certify that items for which a motorcycle was rejected at inspection have been corrected unless the licensee has in-

spected the motorcycle and has determined that all defects detected at inspection have been corrected so that the motorcycle is in proper operating condition and that it conforms to the inspection standards adopted by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-33.

(e) Certification shall be evidenced by the affixation of a certificate of approval on a motor vehicle as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-43.11(a) and 33.2(k), or by the affixation of a certificate of approval on a motorcycle as specified in N.J.A.C. 13:20-33.2(n).

(f) Certification of a motor vehicle by a Class I or Class II licensed private inspection facility or an employee thereof shall constitute the licensee's representation that the licensee, or a licensed emission inspector or mechanic, has inspected the motor vehicle in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-33 and has determined that the motor vehicle is in proper operating condition and conforms to the inspection standards adopted by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-33 and 43 and the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-15 and 7:27B-4.

(g) Certification of a motorcycle by a Class III licensed private inspection facility or an employee thereof shall constitute the licensee's representation that the licensee has inspected the motorcycle and has determined that the motorcycle is in proper operating condition and conforms to the inspection standards adopted by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-33.

(h) The fee which a licensee may charge the consumer for affixing a certificate of approval shall not exceed \$2.50.

(i) The fee which a licensee may charge for reinspection of items for motor vehicles having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less, motor vehicles having a GVWR greater than 8,500 pounds, and motorcycles rejected after inspection and which have been repaired by the motor vehicle owner or lessee or someone not under the direction of the licensee shall not exceed that portion of the licensee's established hourly labor charge for repair service as specified by the Director to be the average time required to reinspect a particular item of equipment. A licensee shall inform the consumer in advance that the licensee's charge for such reinspection shall not exceed that portion of the hourly labor rate.

(j) Every licensee who performs inspection certification services for the general public shall conspicuously display a schedule of inspection charges at his or her place of business and shall file a copy thereof with the Private Inspection Facility Licensing Unit of the Division. The schedule of inspection charges shall specifically set forth the inspection charge for the initial inspection of motor vehicles having a GVWR of 8,500 pounds or less and the inspection charge for the initial inspection of motor vehicles having a GVWR greater than 8,500 pounds. The posted schedule shall not be smaller than one square foot.

Amended by R.1997 d.100, effective March 3, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 2334(a), 29 N.J.R. 788(a).

Deleted provisions which prohibited vehicles over four years old or which failed two initial emission tests from inspection at private facilities.

Amended by R.1999 d.422, effective December 6, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 2466(a), 31 N.J.R. 4078(a).

Rewrote the section.

13:20-44.15 Advertising

(a) Any advertising used by the private inspection facility in any printed or published material shall contain and prominently display the license number of the facility.

(b) Any advertising used by the private inspection facility in any radio broadcast shall disclose that the facility is licensed by the State of New Jersey.

(c) Any advertising used by the private inspection facility in any television broadcast shall prominently display the license number of the facility at the end of such broadcast.

13:20-44.16 Storage rates

Every private inspection facility which charges a per diem fee to store a motor vehicle on its premises shall disclose in writing, prior to initiating inspection certification services, the amount of such storage charge to the customer.

13:20-44.17 Additional violations

(a) In addition to any violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 et seq., the Director may refuse to issue a license or a renewal thereof, or suspend or revoke the existing license of any private inspection facility if he or she determines that the applicant or licensee:

1. Has made a false statement or concealed a fact in connection with the application for a license or a renewal thereof;
2. Is not the owner of, or possessor of a controlling interest in, the private inspection facility;
3. Has been found to have tampered with emission control apparatus in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:27-15.7;
4. Has been found to have violated or conducted fraudulent or deceptive practices concerning the inspection, reinspection, certification and/or repair of motor vehicles in violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-1 et seq., 56:8-1 et seq., N.J.A.C. 13:45A-26C or this subchapter;
5. Has a criminal record which is disqualifying. A disqualifying criminal record shall include a conviction of any offense in any jurisdiction which would be:
 - i. Any of the following offenses under the "New Jersey Code of Criminal Justice," P.L. 1978, c.95 (Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes) as amended and supplemented:

All crimes of the first degree;

N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1 (attempt to commit an offense which is listed in this subparagraph);

N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2 (conspiracy to commit an offense which is listed in this subparagraph);

N.J.S.A. 2C:11-4b (manslaughter);

N.J.S.A. 2C:11-5 (vehicular homicide);

N.J.S.A. 2C:12-1b (aggravated assault);

N.J.S.A. 2C:13-1 (kidnapping);

N.J.S.A. 2C:14-1 et seq. (sexual offenses);

N.J.S.A. 2C:15-1 (robberies);

N.J.S.A. 2C:17-1a and b (crimes involving arson and related offenses);

N.J.S.A. 2C:17-2a and b (causing or risking widespread injury or damage);

N.J.S.A. 2C:18-2 (burglary);

N.J.S.A. 2C:20-1 et seq. (theft and related offenses);

N.J.S.A. 2C:21-4a (falsifying or tampering with records);

N.J.S.A. 2C:27-1 et seq. (bribery and corrupt influence);

N.J.S.A. 2C:28-1 et seq. (perjury and other falsification in official matters);

N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2 and N.J.S.A. 2C:30-3 (misconduct in office and abuse of office);

N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5 (manufacturing, distributing or dispensing a controlled dangerous substance or a controlled dangerous substance analog);

N.J.S.A. 2C:35-6 (employing a juvenile in a drug distribution scheme);

N.J.S.A. 2C:35-7 (distributing, dispensing, or possessing a controlled dangerous substance or controlled substance analog on or within 1,000 feet of school property or bus);

N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10 (possession, use or being under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance or a controlled substance analog, or failure to make lawful disposition of same);

N.J.S.A. 2C:35-11 (distribution, possession or manufacture of imitation controlled dangerous substances);

N.J.S.A. 2C:35-13 (acquisition of controlled dangerous substances by fraud); or

(e) If a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus subject to roadside emission inspection pursuant to P.L. 1995, c.157 fails to meet diesel emission inspection standards set forth in rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-14, the diesel emission inspection certificate of approval displayed upon the windshield of the vehicle, if any, shall be defaced by the roadside inspector.

(f) The owner or lessee of a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus registered in this State which is subject to roadside diesel emission inspection pursuant to P.L. 1995, c.157 which fails to meet diesel emission inspection standards set forth in rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-14 shall have the vehicle repaired, adjusted or corrected within 45 days in order to legally operate it in New Jersey.

(g) Diesel buses shall be subject to roadside emission inspections pursuant to P.L. 1995, c.157 and this subchapter only in conjunction with roadside safety inspections conducted pursuant to law or regulation.

Amended by R.1998 d.310, effective June 15, 1998.
See: 30 N.J.R. 990(a), 30 N.J.R. 2262(b).

In (d), deleted "and other diesel-powered motor vehicles" preceding "directed to the inspection area"; rewrote (e); added a new (f); and recodified former (f) as (g).

13:20-46.4 Certification of test

A document specified in N.J.S.A. 39:8-66 upon which diesel emission inspection test results shall be recorded by the roadside inspector, and the certification containing the information required by N.J.S.A. 39:8-66, is set forth in Appendix A to this subchapter, which is incorporated herein by reference.

13:20-46.5 Violation information

Information pertaining to penalties for violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62, the repairs that may effect a reduction of penalty, and the certification necessary to substantiate those repairs and compliance with emission standards shall be served with the complaint and summons alleging a violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62. The form of the certification of repairs, which shall be served with the complaint and summons, is set forth in Appendix A to this subchapter, which is incorporated herein by reference.

13:20-46.6 Civil penalty schedule; reduction of penalty

(a) The owner and the lessee, if any, of a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus operated in violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62 shall be jointly and severally liable for a civil penalty. For a first violation, the owner or lessee shall pay a civil penalty of \$700.00, except as otherwise provided in this section. For a second or subsequent violation, the owner or lessee shall pay a civil penalty of \$1,300, except as otherwise provided in this section.

(b) A second or subsequent violation is one which occurs within one year of the occurrence of a previous violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62 committed with respect to the same heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus. This one year period shall

be determined without regard to the date of the hearing that adjudicated the violation and without regard to the identity of the defendant against whom it was adjudicated.

(c) The complaint and summons alleging a violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62 with regard to the operation of a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus shall state whether the charges pertain to a first violation or to a second or subsequent violation, but if the complaint and summons fail to allege a second or subsequent violation, the civil penalty imposed shall be that for a first violation.

(d) The penalty for a first violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62 with regard to the operation of a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus may be reduced to \$150.00 if the defendant provides a certification of the smoke opacity-related repairs to the vehicle that is satisfactory to the court and in compliance with emission standards. The penalty for a second or subsequent violation may be reduced to \$500.00 if the defendant provides a certification of the smoke opacity-related repairs to the vehicle that is satisfactory to the court and in compliance with emission standards. The form of the certification of repairs is set forth in Appendix A to this subchapter.

(e) Repairs to effect a reduction of penalty under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:8-63 and this section shall be related to the cause of the emission test failure and shall be made before the hearing date or within 45 days of the occurrence of the violation, whichever is sooner.

(f) A defendant who is charged with a violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62 with regard to the operation of a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus and who is permitted to waive appearance and plead guilty by mail shall also be permitted to submit the certification of emission-related repairs and compliance with emission standards by mail. If the court deems the certification to be inadequate, it shall afford the defendant the option to withdraw the guilty plea.

(g) The Director may suspend the registration privileges of an owner or lessee for failure to pay a civil penalty imposed pursuant to P.L. 1995, c.157 and this subchapter.

(h) The operator of a heavy-duty diesel truck or diesel bus as herein defined who fails to comply with any direction given by an enforcement officer or who refuses to submit or resists submitting a vehicle under the operator's control for roadside inspection, or who fails to comply with any other obligation imposed upon that person as part of the roadside diesel emission inspection program shall be jointly and severally liable with the owner and the lessee, if any, of the vehicle for a civil penalty of \$500.00; provided, however, that the New Jersey Transit Corporation shall not be liable for any such civil penalty if the diesel bus that is the subject of the violation is operated by a lessee or contractor, or any employee or agent of a lessee or contractor, of the New Jersey Transit Corporation.

Amended by R.1998 d.310, effective June 15, 1998.
See: 30 N.J.R. 990(a), 30 N.J.R. 2262(b).

Deleted references to diesel-powered motor vehicles throughout section.

13:20-46.7 Out-of-service orders

The Division of State Police may order out-of-service any vehicle that is registered or present in this State if the civil penalty imposed pursuant to P.L. 1995, c.157 and this subchapter remains unpaid after the date on which it became due and owing. A vehicle placed out-of-service pursuant to this section shall not be operated until all civil penalties that are due and owing are paid to the Division of Motor Vehicles, or the owner or lessee has made an arrangement, approved by the Director, for payment in accordance with a payment schedule. When a vehicle is placed out-of-service, an administrative out-of-service order shall be prepared on a form or forms specified by the Director and a copy served upon the operator of the vehicle or upon the owner or lessee of the vehicle. The operator of a vehicle served with an out-of-service order pursuant to this section shall report the issuance of the out-of-service order to the owner and the lessee, if any, of the vehicle within 24 hours. When a vehicle is placed out-of-service pursuant to this section it shall be the responsibility of the owner or lessee of that vehicle to arrange for the prompt removal of that vehicle, by means other than operating the vehicle, and to pay all costs associated therewith. The vehicle shall be removed to a secure storage place where the Division of State Police can readily confirm its non-operation. If the owner or lessee fails to comply, or is otherwise incapable of complying with this section, the Division of State Police shall make such arrangements for the removal of the vehicle to a secure storage place where the Division of State Police can readily confirm its non-operation, with all attendant charges and expenses to be paid by the owner, lessee, or bailee. Upon payment by cashier's check or money order, or an agreement approved by the Director to pay in accordance with a payment schedule, or in such other form as may be determined by the Director, subject to law or the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey, of all unpaid civil penalties and attendant storage charges and expenses for a vehicle that has been placed out-of-service, the Director shall remove the out-of-service order. Any person who operates, and any owner or lessee who causes or allows to be operated, a vehicle in violation of an out-of-service order prepared and served in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be liable for a civil penalty of \$1,500, and, if the vehicle is registered in this State, the Director may suspend the registration privileges of the vehicle.

13:20-46.8 Roadside inspector training certification

(a) No person shall conduct a roadside emission inspection specified by this subchapter unless certified by the Director as having adequate training and competence to perform the test. In order to receive such certification, a roadside inspector shall complete a course of training consisting of classroom training as specified in (b) below, and field training as specified in (c) below.

(b) Classroom training shall consist of coursework in the following areas:

1. Theory of diesel engine operation;
2. Operating principles and proper use of the smoke opacity meter;
3. Test methods and equipment operational procedures;
4. Roadside inspection procedures, including site setup and operations; and
5. Team responsibilities.

(c) Field training shall consist of practical application of all test methods and procedures in a roadside environment.

APPENDIX A

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY,)
Plaintiff)
)
v.)

MUNICIPAL COURT OF _____
SUMMONS NO. SP _____

Defendant.)))

CERTIFICATION OF DIESEL EMISSIONS TEST PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 39:8-66

1. I, _____, (Diesel Emission Certificate # _____), am employed by the State of New Jersey, Division of Motor Vehicles, to conduct roadside compliance inspections of diesel vehicles pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:8-59 et seq.

2. On _____, 199____, I performed a smoke opacity emissions test, called a Snap Acceleration Test/Rolling Acceleration Test/Stall Test (Circle One) on a diesel truck registered in _____, with license plate no. _____, and vehicle identification number _____. The truck is registered to _____, located at _____, _____. The truck inspected is a _____ (Year) model year. The vehicle has a stack diameter of _____ inches and a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of _____ pounds.

3. This test was performed at _____, using Testing Unit Serial No. _____. The temperature at the site was _____ °F. The test on this vehicle began at _____ am/pm and was completed at _____ am/pm. All tests were conducted with all brakes released. As a result of this emissions test, a smoke opacity of _____% was measured, which indicates that this vehicle passed/failed (Circle One) the opacity standard set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:27-14.6.

4. As a result of this inspection, a complaint and summons charging a violation of the opacity standard set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:27-14.6 was issued to the driver of this vehicle.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements are not true, I am subject to punishment.

Dated: _____

PROOF OF SERVICE

On _____, 199____, I personally served this document upon the driver of the vehicle in question.

INSTRUCTIONS

- If you have received a Complaint & Summons for a violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62, and "Court Appearance Required" has not been checked, you may complete this certification to plead guilty and request that the Court reduce the penalty from \$700 to \$150 for a first offense. This certification may be used to plead guilty by mail ONLY for a first offense. Any other violations require a court appearance. If you have any questions about a court appearance, you should contact the Court Administrator of the Municipal Court identified on the Complaint & Summons.
• Attach all documents (bills, invoices, parts receipts, etc.) that support your claim that the emissions repairs were actually made to the vehicle in question. If you have undertaken any optional emissions testing after repairs have been made, you may want to attach copies of the emissions test results to this certification.
• Be sure to keep copies of this certification and all attachments.
• Mail this certification, along with your check for \$_____ (including court costs) to the Municipal Court indicated on the back of the Complaint & Summons that was issued to the driver of the vehicle in question.
• If the Municipal Court does not accept this certification of repairs, you will be allowed an opportunity to withdraw this guilty plea and the Court will notify you of that fact.

CERTIFICATION OF REPAIR

1. I, _____, am the owner/lessor (Circle one) of the diesel vehicle, identified on the front side of this document, that was issued a Complaint & Summons for violating N.J.S.A. 39:8-62, by exceeding the applicable diesel emissions opacity standard.

2. I have personally performed/caused a diesel mechanic to perform (Circle one) the following emissions-related repairs to the vehicle to reduce the smoke emissions of this vehicle to the standards set in N.J.A.C. 7:27-14.6. In addition, I have attached all bills, receipts, invoices, and any other documents associated with the emissions-related repairs made to this vehicle.

Table with 3 columns: Date, NAME AND ADDRESS OF LOCATION OF REPAIR FACILITY WHERE REPAIRS WERE MADE, REPAIRS MADE TO REDUCE DIESEL EMISSIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DIESEL SMOKE OPACITY STANDARD

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_____	_____	_____

3. In addition, I have taken the following actions to bring this vehicle into compliance with the diesel emissions standards established by N.J.A.C. 7:27-14.1 et seq.: _____.

4. By completing and signing this certification, I waive my right to appear in Municipal Court and I plead guilty to the charged violation of N.J.S.A. 39:8-62. This certification is presented to reduce the civil penalty for the charged violation from \$700 to \$150.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements are not true, I am subject to punishment.

Dated: _____

_____ (Signature)

_____ (Print your name)

SUBCHAPTER 47. DIESEL EMISSION INSPECTION CENTER LICENSING

13:20-47.1 Purpose

(a) P.L. 1995, c.157 provides for the establishment and implementation of a periodic inspection program and a roadside enforcement program to enforce the emission standards and apply the test methods established pursuant to the Act. The purposes of this subchapter are to:

1. Establish a system for the licensing of diesel emission inspection centers which perform inspections and certifications on heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses and issue certifications for heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses, including emission control apparatus and emission control system inspections; and

2. Establish standards and procedures necessary to protect the public from incompetent, dishonest, deceptive and fraudulent practices in the inspection and certification of heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses, including emission control apparatus and emission control systems, and to eliminate or exclude from licensing those persons who engage in such practices or who otherwise demonstrate unfitness.

(b) The Division finds that in order to ensure that diesel vehicles which are inspected and certified by a diesel emission inspection center are satisfactorily inspected and certified and are in proper condition to be operated on the highways of this State and to ensure that inspections and certifications are performed in accordance with the standards established by the Division at N.J.A.C. 13:20-46 and the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-14, a diesel emission inspection center must possess certain equipment used in the inspection and certification of diesel vehicles, including the inspection of emission control apparatus and emission control systems.

Amended by R.1998 d.310, effective June 15, 1998. See: 30 N.J.R. 990(a), 30 N.J.R. 2262(b).

In (a), deleted references to diesel-powered motor vehicles throughout.

13:20-47.2 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Advertising” means any printed or published materials including, but not limited to, direct mail, circulars, leaflets, pamphlets, newspapers, magazines, billboards, yellow pages of any telephone directory, radio and/or television broadcasts, and any other advertising medium of communication used to induce the public to seek the services of the diesel emission inspection center. The term “advertising” shall not include printed or published materials appearing in the white pages of any telephone directory.

“Applicant” means any person applying under the provisions of this subchapter for an initial license to engage in the business of a diesel emission inspection center or to renew an existing license. In the case of a partnership or corporation applying for a license, the term “applicant” shall respectively include all partners and/or officers and directors and/or persons having a controlling interest in a partnership or corporation.

“Controlling interest” means possession of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a diesel emission inspection center, whether through the ownership of voting securities or otherwise. The Director shall presume that control in fact exists if any person or entity directly or indirectly owns, controls, holds the power to vote, or holds proxies representing 10 percent or more of the voting securities of any diesel emission inspection center. This presumption may be rebutted by showing that control does not in fact exist. The Director may determine that control in fact exists, notwithstanding the presence or absence of a presumption to that effect.

“Department” means the Department of Environmental Protection in the State of New Jersey.

“Diesel bus” means any diesel-powered autobus or motorbus of any size or configuration, whether registered in this State or elsewhere, that is designed or used for intrastate or interstate transportation of passengers for hire or otherwise on a public road, street or highway or any public or quasi-public property in this State, including, but not limited to, autobuses under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation pursuant to Titles 27 or 48 of the Revised Statutes; autobuses of the New Jersey Transit Corporation and its contract carriers that are under the inspection jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation; autobuses that are subject to Federal motor carrier safety regulations; autobuses under the authority of the Interstate Commerce Commission or its successor agency; school buses, as defined pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1; and hotel, casino, charter, and special buses.

“Diesel emission inspection center” means any person who for compensation engages in the business of inspecting and certifying heavy-duty diesel trucks or diesel buses, including emission control apparatus and emission control systems. For purposes of this subchapter, an employee of a diesel emission inspection center who engages in the business of inspecting and certifying diesel motor vehicles, including emission control apparatus and emission control systems, solely by reason of his or her employment is not deemed to be a diesel emission inspection center and is not required to be licensed as such.

“Diesel emission inspection center license” means a license issued to a diesel emission inspection center which evidences the Director’s authorization for the center to engage in the inspection and certification of heavy-duty

diesel trucks or diesel buses, including diesel vehicle emission control apparatus and emission control systems.

“Diesel vehicle emission testing equipment” means equipment in accordance with specifications contained in N.J.A.C. 7:27B-4.15. The equipment shall include all devices used for performing a diesel vehicle smoke opacity emission inspection.

“Director” means the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Division” means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation in the State of New Jersey.

“Emission control apparatus” means any device utilized by the vehicle manufacturer and/or the engine manufacturer to control the release of any regulated emission, including any associated component which monitors the function and maintenance of such a device, as provided for in regulations adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:27-14.

“Engaged in the business” means:

1. Any person who inspects and certifies diesel motor vehicles, including the presence of diesel emission control systems; or
2. Any person who for compensation negotiates, in any manner, with any customer to inspect and certify heavy-duty diesel trucks or diesel buses, including emission control systems.

“Gross vehicle weight rating” or “GVWR” means the value specified by the manufacturer as the loaded weight of a single or combination (articulated) vehicle. The GVWR of a combination (articulated) vehicle, commonly referred to as the “gross combination weight rating” or “GCWR,” is the GVWR of the power unit plus the GVWR of the towed unit or units.

“Heavy-duty diesel truck” means any diesel-powered motor vehicle, whether registered in this State or elsewhere, with a GVWR of 18,000 or more pounds that is designed or used for the transporting of property on any public road, street or highway or any public or quasi-public property in this State. For the purposes of these rules, heavy-duty diesel truck shall not mean a heavy-duty diesel truck owned and operated by a county, municipality, fire district, or duly incorporated nonprofit organization and used for first aid, emergency, ambulance, rescue, or fire-fighting purposes.

“Person” means any natural person, business, company, firm, partnership, association, corporation or any other entity.

“Place of business” means the address or location where the services of a diesel emission inspection center are offered or ordinarily performed.

“Suspension, revocation or refusal to grant or renew” means administrative action by the Director, in accordance with the provisions of P.L. 1995, c.157 or this subchapter, to refuse to grant or renew a diesel emission inspection center license or to suspend or revoke an existing license.

Amended by R.1998 d.310, effective June 15, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 990(a), 30 N.J.R. 2262(b).

Deleted “Diesel-powered motor vehicle” definition and deleted references to diesel-powered motor vehicles in “Diesel emission inspection center”, “Diesel emission inspection center license”, and “Engaged in the business” definitions.

13:20-47.3 Scope; license required; vehicle classes; inspection services; license classes

(a) This subchapter shall apply to every person engaged in the business of a diesel emission inspection center which performs inspections and certifications of heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses, including emission control systems.

(b) No person shall, on or after September 15, 1997, engage in the business of a diesel emission inspection center unless licensed by the Director in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter.

(c) Diesel emission inspection centers shall be licensed to engage in the inspection and certification of heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses; provided, however, diesel emission inspection centers shall not inspect school buses, or buses which are subject to inspection by the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles Commercial Bus Inspection and Investigation Unit.

(d) Diesel emission inspection centers shall provide inspection and certification services in all vehicle emission inspection categories established by the Division, including the following inspection categories:

1. Engine emissions;
2. Exhaust system and emission control apparatus;
3. Governor, if applicable;
4. Emission control system, if applicable; and
5. Miscellaneous (any inspection item not in other categories).

(e) Each diesel vehicle inspection conducted by a diesel emission inspection center pursuant to this subchapter shall include an examination of the driver’s license, motor vehicle registration certificate, International Registration Plan (IRP) documentation, if any, and insurance identification card, if applicable.

(f) Diesel emission inspection centers shall be authorized to perform inspections and certifications in all heavy-duty diesel truck and diesel bus inspection categories established by the Division.

(g) Diesel emission inspection centers shall be licensed in the following classes:

1. Class I licenses shall be issued to diesel emission inspection centers to engage in the inspection and certification of heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses.

2. Class II licenses shall be issued to owners or lessees of fleets of 20 or more heavy-duty diesel trucks and diesel buses.

(h) Class I diesel emission inspection centers which perform inspections and certifications exclusively at the business location of owners or lessees of heavy-duty diesel trucks or diesel buses shall contract with such owners or lessees to perform periodic inspections of such vehicles in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-26 and certifications of such vehicles pursuant to this subchapter. Copies of such contracts shall be maintained by each such diesel emission inspection center at its place of business. Such contracts shall provide that authorized representatives of the Department of Transportation, the Division, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Division of State Police or the Division of Consumer Affairs shall be granted access to the vehicle owner’s or lessee’s business premises during regular business hours.

(i) Class II diesel emission inspection centers may contract with other owners or lessees of heavy-duty diesel trucks or diesel buses to perform periodic inspections of such vehicles in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:20-26 and certifications of such vehicles pursuant to this subchapter. However, this subsection shall not be construed as requiring Class II diesel emission inspection centers to contract with any owner or lessee of heavy-duty diesel trucks or diesel buses to perform such inspections and certifications.

(j) Any diesel emission inspection center which is also registered as a motor vehicle emission repair facility pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:20-45 and which inspects, reinspects and certifies fleet heavy-duty diesel trucks or diesel buses that it owns or leases shall be exempted from the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:20-45.10 for those vehicles.

Amended by R.1998 d.310, effective June 15, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 990(a), 30 N.J.R. 2262(b).

In (a) through (f), deleted references to diesel-powered motor vehicles; in (g), deleted references to diesel-powered motor vehicles and substituted “20” for “25” preceding “or more” in 2; added a new (h); and recodified former (h) and (i) as (i) and (j).

Amended by R.2001 d.20, effective January 16, 2001.

See: 32 N.J.R. 3720(a), 33 N.J.R. 269(a).

In (h), substituted “or” for “and” preceding “the Division of Consumer Affairs”.