

## Auto Safety Inspection

### Alabama

Alabama Department of Revenue - Alabama DMV

<https://revenue.alabama.gov/motor-vehicle/>

(334) 242-9000

[noreply@mvtrip.alabama.gov](mailto:noreply@mvtrip.alabama.gov)

Alabama requires a VIN inspection for out-of-state vehicles before the registration can be complete. This is to ensure the VIN matches the number on the out-of-state title.

Motor Vehicle Division

Titles & Vehicle Inspections

P.O. Box 327640

Montgomery, AL 36132-7640

### Alaska

Alaska Department of Administration - Division of Motor Vehicles

<http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/>

(907)269-5551

[Doa.Dmv.Webmaster@alaska.gov](mailto:Doa.Dmv.Webmaster@alaska.gov)

Alaska's VIN verification rules state that an inspection must be performed whenever a vehicle owner does not possess a title or certificate of origin for his or her vehicle.

Alaska Division of Motor Vehicles

3901 Old Seward Highway, Suite 101

Anchorage, AK 99503

### Arizona

Arizona Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Division

<https://azdot.gov/motor-vehicle-services>

602.255.0072

[https://apps.azdot.gov/contact\\_adot/](https://apps.azdot.gov/contact_adot/)

There are no safety inspections here, and unless you live in Phoenix or Tucson.

Arizona Motor Vehicle Division Inquiries

PO Box 2100, MD 555M

Phoenix, AZ 85001

### Arkansas

Arkansas DMV

<https://mydmv.arkansas.gov/>

1-501-682-4692

[MVInformation@dfa.arkansas.gov](mailto:MVInformation@dfa.arkansas.gov)

Arkansas does not require annual vehicle inspections.

Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration - Office of Motor Vehicle

Ragland Building

1900 W 7th St, Ste 1010

Little Rock, AR 72201

## **California**

State of California Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/>

1-800-777-0133

California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV/RMV) does not have a customer service email address. Despite having some of the strictest laws in the country, there are no safety inspections, just a VIN verification.

Office of the Director

Department of Motor Vehicles

2415 1st Ave., Mail Station F101

Sacramento, CA 95818-2606

## **Colorado**

Colorado Department of Revenue - Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.colorado.gov/>

(303) 205-5603

Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles DMV does not have a direct customer service email address. There are no safety inspections just a VIN verification.

Department of Revenue

Division of Motor Vehicle

Section Name (Driver Control, Titles, Registration, etc.)

P.O. Box 173350

Denver, CO 80217-3350

## **Connecticut**

Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/>

860-263-5700

<https://dmvcivils-wselfservice.ct.gov/DMVEmailForm/>

Connecticut does not require periodic safety inspections for all vehicles. It requires certain types of vehicles, such as totaled vehicles rebuilt for highway use, used vehicles brought in from other states and not previously registered in Connecticut, and older vehicles changing ownership, to get safety inspections before they can be registered. You will have to get the VIN verified, but there is no safety check in CT except for a cursory inspection

CT Department of Motor Vehicles

60 State Street

Wethersfield, CT 06161

## **Delaware**

Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.de.gov/>

(302) 744-2500

[DMVCustomerService@state.de.us](mailto:DMVCustomerService@state.de.us)

Every two years you must have a safety inspection. The DMV checks that all lights work, your brakes are good, your windows aren't cracked (small cracks allowed in windshield), tires are good, wipers work, mirrors are present, fuel doesn't leak, latches all work on doors, hood, and trunk, horn is loud, and muffler is quiet.

Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles (Dover, DE)  
2230 Hessler Blvd,  
New Castle, DE 19720

## **District of Columbia**

DC Department of Motor Vehicles  
<https://dmv.dc.gov/service/vehicle-inspections>  
(202) 737-4404  
[dmv@dc.gov](mailto:dmv@dc.gov)

Every two years you must have an inspection. Commercial vehicles and for-hire vehicles are also required to have a safety inspection as well, every year.

DC DMV Inspection Station  
1001 Half Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20024

## **Florida**

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
<https://www.flhsmv.gov/>  
1 850-617-2000  
<https://www.flhsmv.gov/about/contact-the-director/>

No safety inspections, but vehicles brought in from another state will have their VIN verified.

Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
904 - 301 Blvd. W.  
Bradenton, Florida 34205

## **Georgia**

Georgia Department of Driver Services  
<https://dds.georgia.gov/>  
(678) 413-8400  
<https://online.dds.ga.gov/feedback/>

Georgia does not have state-wide requirements for car inspections. Only certain counties in the metropolitan Atlanta area require owners to have their cars inspected each year.

Georgia Department of Driver Services  
Post Office Box 80447  
Conyers, GA 30013

## **Hawaii**

Hawaii Division of Motor Vehicles & Licensing  
<https://www.mauicounty.gov/1328/Motor-Vehicle-Licensing>  
(808) 270-7363

[maui.dmv@mauicounty.gov](mailto:maui.dmv@mauicounty.gov)

In Hawaii, there are periodic safety inspections. The inspector will check the steering, brakes, tires, fuel system, exhaust, headlights, mirrors, speedometer, odometer, windows, and seat belts for proper function and normal wear.

Hawaii Division of Motor Vehicles & Licensing  
110 Alaihi Street  
Suite 101  
Kahului, HI 96732

## **Idaho**

Idaho Transportation Department

<https://itd.idaho.gov/itddmv/>

(208) 334-8000

<https://apps.itd.idaho.gov/Apps/WebCommentsV2/>

There is no periodic safety inspection here. There is a VIN verification if you bring a car in from out of state.

Idaho Transportation Department  
3311 W. State Street  
P.O. Box 7129  
Boise, ID 83707-1129

## **Illinois**

Illinois Department of Transportation

<https://idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/safety/vehicle-inspections>

(217) 785-1181

<http://apps.dot.illinois.gov/WER/?from=1>

There are no inspections required.

Vehicle Inspection

Illinois Department of Transportation  
Bureau of Investigations & Compliance  
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, IL 62764

## **Indiana**

Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles

<https://www.in.gov/bmv/registration-plates/vehicle-emissions-testing-program/>

888-692-6841

<https://mybmv.bmv.in.gov/bmv/mybmv/contact.aspx>

There are no safety inspections in Indiana. Out of state vehicles will have their VIN verified at registration.

Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles  
Indiana Government Center North  
Room 402  
100 North Senate Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46204

## **Iowa**

Iowa DOT

<https://iowadot.gov/mvd/about>

515-237-3110

<https://iowadot.gov/AboutUs#ContactUs>

No inspections required by the DMV. Iowa does not check VIN numbers at registration unless it's a salvage title. The state of Iowa requires two different types of vehicle inspections: A vehicle identification number, or VIN, inspection on all vehicles that have been designated as SALVAGE. This inspection must be performed by a peace officer, certified with the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy.

Iowa Department of Transportation

Motor Vehicle Division

P.O. Box 9204

Des Moines, IA 50306-9204

## **Kansas**

Kansas Department of Revenue - Division of Vehicles

<https://www.ksrevenue.org/dovtitlefaq.html>

785-296-3621, press 2 then press 1

<https://www.ksrevenue.org/contactus.html>

No safety requirements, but out of state vehicles will have their VIN checked at registration.

Kansas Division of Vehicles

Titles and Registrations Bureau

300 SW 29th St.

PO Box 12003

Topeka, KS 66601-2003

## **Kentucky**

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - Drive Kentucky

<https://drive.ky.gov/motor-vehicle-licensing/Pages/Vehicle-Titling.aspx>

(502) 564-4890

Transportation.ky.gov

No safety inspection. A Kentucky VIN inspection is required for all cars that were purchased out of state and/or brought into KY in order to be issued a license plate.

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - Drive Kentucky

200 Mero St

Frankfort, KY

## **Louisiana**

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

<https://deq.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=motor-vehicle-inspection-and-maintenance>

(225) 219-3570 or (225) 219-3571

### [DEQ-Motor Vehicle 1/M@la.gov](mailto:1/M@la.gov)

Safety inspections are required yearly (unless you pay for a two year inspection sticker).

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality  
Air Planning and Assessment Division/Air Planning Section  
Galvez Building  
602 North Fifth Street  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

### **Maine**

Maine Department of Public Safety - Maine State Police

<https://www.maine.gov/dps/msp/investigation-traffic/crash-investigations/mv-inspections>

(207) 624-8935 or 624-8934

[bruce.g.scott@maine.gov](mailto:bruce.g.scott@maine.gov)

You need to get a safety inspection yearly, and they will check the VIN at that time.

Motor Vehicle Inspection Program  
36 Hospital Street, Augusta  
Mailing Address - State House Station #20  
Augusta, ME 04333  
Maine State Police - Traffic Division  
Motor Vehicle Inspection Unit  
20 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0020

### **Maryland**

Maryland Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Administration

<https://mva.maryland.gov/vehicles/Pages/veip.aspx>

410-768-7000

[MVACS@mdot.state.md.us](mailto:MVACS@mdot.state.md.us)

There are no annual safety inspections, but a safety inspection is required for all used cars, trucks, tractors, trailers, motorcycles, special equipment, and class "B" for hire vehicles being titled and registered in Maryland.

Maryland Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Administration  
6601 Ritchie Highway N.E.  
Glen Burnie, MD 21062

### **Massachusetts**

Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/vehicle-inspections>

857-368-8000

<https://www.mass.gov/forms/rmv-customer-contact-us>

The Massachusetts Vehicle Check program is the vehicle emissions testing and safety inspection program for the Commonwealth. You can get an inspection at any of the 1,800 licensed inspection stations in Massachusetts

Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles

PO Box 55889  
Boston, MA 02205

## **Michigan**

Michigan Secretary of State's Office

<https://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,4670,7-127-1627---,00.html>

(888) 767-6424

<https://mdossupport.happyfox.com/new/>

There are no annual safety checks in this state, nor do they check the VIN when you bring a car in from out of state.

Michigan Secretary of State's Office

430 W. Allegan St.

Richard H. Austin Building

4th Floor

Lansing, MI 48918

## **Minnesota**

Minnesota Department of Public Safety - Driver & Vehicle Services

<https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/Pages/default.aspx>

(651) 297-2126

<https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/contact/Pages/dvsform-other-questions.aspx>

There is no inspection of any sort in this state.

Minnesota Department of Public Safety - Driver & Vehicle Services

445 Minnesota Street, Suite 190

Saint Paul MN 55101-5190

## **Mississippi**

Mississippi Driver Service Bureau

<https://www.driverservicebureau.dps.ms.gov/>

(601) 987-1212

No inspection of any sort in this state.

Mississippi Driver Service Bureau

Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Post Office Box 948,

Jackson, Mississippi 39205

## **Missouri**

Missouri Department of Revenue - My DMV

<https://mydmv.mo.gov/DL/Index>

573-526-3669

[mvbmail@dor.mo.gov](mailto:mvbmail@dor.mo.gov)

There are biennial safety checks. The inspection will check for proper function of lights and brakes, proper suspension motion, seatbelts, and many other criteria.

Missouri Department of Revenue - My DMV

Harry S Truman State Office Building  
301 West High Street,  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

## **Montana**

Montana Department of Justice - Motor Vehicle Division

<https://dojmt.gov/driving/>

(406) 444-3933

[mvd@mt.gov](mailto:mvd@mt.gov)

Vehicles must undergo a VIN number inspection in Montana if a car owner needs to correct inaccurate information on the vehicle's title, or the identity of a rebuilt salvage vehicle is in question. The state also requires vehicles to undergo a car inspection service in Montana to verify that a VIN does not already exist.

Montana Department of Justice - Motor Vehicle Division

P.O. Box 201430

302 N Roberts,

Helena, MT 59620-1430

## **Nebraska**

Nebraska DMV

<https://dmv.nebraska.gov/dvr/title/vehicle-inspection>

(402) 471-3985

<https://dmv.nebraska.gov/dvr/contact>

This state only requires an inspection to vehicles coming in from other states, otherwise no safety inspection is needed. Nebraska doesn't require a safety inspection, but it does require a VIN inspection for registration purposes, along with an odometer reading.

Nebraska DMV

301 Centennial Mall South

P.O. Box 94789

Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4726

## **Nevada**

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.nv.gov/>

(775) 684-4549

[https://dmv.nv.gov/contact\\_us.asp](https://dmv.nv.gov/contact_us.asp)

There are no safety inspections in this state. They will however, verify your VIN if you register an out of state vehicle.

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles

555 Wright Way

Carson City, NV 89711



## **New Hampshire**

New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://www.dmv.nh.gov/>

(603) 227-4000

[NH.DMVHelp@dos.nh.gov](mailto:NH.DMVHelp@dos.nh.gov)

There are annual safety inspections here. The inspection is typical, with brakes, lights and steering checked over, as well as windows, wiper, horn, and defroster.

New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles

23 Hazen Drive

Concord, NH 03305

## **New Jersey**

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission

<https://nj.gov/mvc/>

888.656.6867 or 609.895.6886

<https://www.state.nj.us/mvc/About/ContactEmail.htm>

There is no vehicle safety inspection in New Jersey.

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission

Customer Advocacy Office

P.O. Box 403

Trenton, NJ 08666-0403

## **New Mexico**

New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division

<https://www.mvd.newmexico.gov/>

888-683-4636

<https://www.mvd.newmexico.gov/contact-us/>

No safety inspections in New Mexico. They will verify the VIN when registering an out of state vehicle though.

New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division

Joseph Montoya Building

P.O. Box 1028

1100 South St. Francis Drive

Santa Fe 87504-1028

## **New York**

New York DMV

<https://dmv.ny.gov/>

1-518-486-9786 or 1-800-698-2931

[https://nysdmv.custhelp.com/app/ask\\_home?\\_ga=2.201901522.2109824880.1617045558-1332099635.1606329879](https://nysdmv.custhelp.com/app/ask_home?_ga=2.201901522.2109824880.1617045558-1332099635.1606329879)

New York DMV

207 Genesee Street,

Suite 6

Utica, NY 13501-2874

### **North Carolina**

North Carolina DMV

<https://www.ncdot.gov/DMV/Pages/default.aspx>

(919-715-7000

<https://www.ncdot.gov/dmv/contact/Pages/default.aspx>

In North Carolina, everyone must get a safety inspection.

North Carolina DMV

3101 Mail Service Center

Raleigh, NC 27699-3101

### **North Dakota**

North Dakota Department of Transportation

<https://www.dot.nd.gov/>

701-328-2500

[dot@nd.gov](mailto:dot@nd.gov)

There are no inspections in North Dakota, they don't even need to verify your VIN when you come from outside the state

North Dakota Department of Transportation

608 East Boulevard Avenue

Bismarck, ND 58505-0700

### **Ohio**

Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles

<https://bmv.ohio.gov/>

844) 644-6268

<https://bmvonline.dps.ohio.gov/Home/ContactUs>

There are no safety checks in Ohio.

Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles

P.O. Box 16520

Columbus, Ohio 43216-6520

### **Oklahoma**

Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission

<https://www.ok.gov/omvc/>

405-607-8227

[email@omvc.ok.gov](mailto:email@omvc.ok.gov)

There are no safety inspections here, but out of state vehicles must have the VIN verified when they are registered.

Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Commission

4334 NW Expressway Suite 183

Oklahoma City, OK 73116

## **Oregon**

Oregon DMV - Driver & Motor Vehicle Services

<https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/pages/index.aspx>

1-503-945-5000

[david.j.house@state.or.us](mailto:david.j.house@state.or.us)

No safety inspection, but out of state vehicles must be VIN verified.

Oregon DMV - Driver & Motor Vehicle Services

1905 Lana Ave NE

Salem, OR 97314

## **Pennsylvania**

PennDOT Driver & Vehicle Services

<https://www.dmv.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

717-412-5300

<https://www.dot.state.pa.us/internet/web.nsf/ECSEmailForm?OpenForm>

This state requires yearly safety checks.

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

1101 South Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17104

## **Rhode Island**

State of Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles

<http://www.dmv.ri.gov/>

401) 462-4368

<http://www.dmv.ri.gov/feedback/index.php>

Every two years drivers in Rhode Island must have their cars inspected for both safety and smog controls.

State of Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles

600 New London Avenue

Cranston, RI 02920-3024

## **South Carolina**

South Carolina DMV

<http://www.scdmvonline.com/>

803-896-5000

[help@scdmv.online.com](mailto:help@scdmv.online.com)

No safety inspection/approval at all in South Carolina.

South Carolina DMV

PO Box 1498

Blythewood, SC 29016

## **South Dakota**

South Dakota Dept. of Revenue - Motor Vehicle Division

<https://dor.sd.gov/individuals/motor-vehicle/>

(605) 773-3541

[motorv@state.sd.us](mailto:motorv@state.sd.us)

South Dakota is not among the states that require vehicle safety inspections.

South Dakota Dept. of Revenue - Motor Vehicle Division

445 East Capitol Avenue

Pierre, SD 57501

## **Tennessee**

Tennessee Dept. of Safety & Homeland Security - Driver Services Division

<https://www.tn.gov/safety/driver-services.html>

(615) 251-5166

[Email.Safety@tn.gov](mailto:Email.Safety@tn.gov)

Tennessee does not require safety inspections.

Tennessee Dept. of Safety & Homeland Security - Driver Services Division

312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue

Nashville, TN 37243

## **Texas**

Texas DMV

<https://www.txdmv.gov/>

1 (888) 368-4689 or (512) 465-4029

<https://www.txdmv.gov/contact-us#contact-us-online>

Vehicle inspection is a requirement. The inspection is a simple set of basic checks to ensure that your vehicle is in a road worthy condition with all instruments working correctly. The inspector checks the vehicle to ensure it is not emitting too much smoke. An inspection is also required when you register your vehicle. The total Texas vehicle inspection time lasts no more than 10 to 15 minutes. Vehicle inspections in Texas are good for two years if the vehicle is new and purchased from a dealership. Otherwise, they are good for one year.

Texas DMV

4000 Jackson Avenue

Austin, Texas 78731

## **Utah**

Utah Division of Motor Vehicles

<https://dmv.utah.gov/>

(800-368-8824)

[dmv@utah.gov](mailto:dmv@utah.gov)

Effective January 1, 2018, the State of Utah removed the safety inspection requirement for most vehicles as a prerequisite for registration. Vehicles that require a safety inspection include salvage vehicles that have been rebuilt and are requesting a rebuilt title, and commercial vehicles are required to obtain a safety inspection for display and presenting to law enforcement, but it is not a prerequisite for registration.

Utah State Tax Commission

Motor Vehicle Division

P.O. Box 30412  
Salt Lake City, UT 84130

## **Vermont**

Vermont DMV

<https://dmv.vermont.gov/avip>

802 828-2000 or 802 828-2094

<https://dmv.vermont.gov/contact/dealers-and-inspection-stations>

Inspection stations in Vermont are privately owned and operated by their business partners. Vermont has required safety inspections on vehicles since 1935 and inspection procedures became Administrative Rules in the 1960s.

Vermont DMV

120 State Street,

Montpelier Vermont, 05603-0001

## **Virginia**

Virginia DMV

<https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/#/>

(804) 497-7100

<https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/dmv-contactus/#/>

Vehicles in Virginia must undergo an annual safety inspection.

Virginia DMV

P.O. Box 27412

Richmond, VA 23269

## **Washington**

Washington State Department of Licensing

<https://www.dol.wa.gov/>

360.902.3600

The state has no safety inspections but they will inspect your VIN when you register an out of state vehicle.

Teresa Berntsen, Agency Director

Washington State Department of Licensing

PO Box 9020

Olympia, WA 98507-9020

## **West Virginia**

West Virginia DMV

<https://transportation.wv.gov/dmv/Pages/default.aspx>

(304) 558-3900

[DOT.DMVCommissioner@wv.gov](mailto:DOT.DMVCommissioner@wv.gov)

You will have to get a safety inspection every year. The state will check the integrity of the windows and body panels, make sure the mirrors are present, the horn and lights work, check the brakes, tires, and steering, and make sure the exhaust isn't too loud.

West Virginia DMV  
5707 MacCorkle Avenue, SE  
Charleston, WV 25317

### **Wisconsin**

Wisconsin Department of Transportation – DMV

<https://wisconsin.gov/pages/online-srvcs/external/dmv.aspx>

(608) 264-7447

<https://trust.dot.state.wi.us/eif/emailInq.do?action=lookUpInquiry>

Wisconsin has no annual safety check.

Wisconsin Department of Transportation – DMV

4822 Madison Yards Way

P.O. Box 7910

Madison, WI 53707-7910

### **Wyoming**

Wyoming Dept. of Transportation

[http://www.dot.state.wy.us/home/driver\\_license\\_records/frequently-asked-questions.html](http://www.dot.state.wy.us/home/driver_license_records/frequently-asked-questions.html)

(307) 777-4375 or 307-777-4800

<http://www.dot.state.wy.us/ContactWYDOT/>

Wyoming has no safety testing requirements, but they will have to verify the VIN number for you to register your out of state vehicle.

Wyoming Dept. of Transportation

5300 Bishop Blvd.

Cheyenne, WY 82009-3340



