## Rules of

**Department of Public Safety**

**Division 50—Missouri State Highway Patrol**

**Chapter 2—Motor Vehicle Inspection Division**

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Division 50—Missouri State Highway Patrol
Chapter 2—Motor Vehicle Inspection Division

11 CSR 50-2.010 Definitions

PURPOSE: This rule defines the meaning of words and terms used throughout the inspection rules.

(1) The following words and terms as used in these rules shall have the following meaning:

(A) Approval certificate is the white copy of the written document which is given to the vehicle owner and which shows that the vehicle meets the inspection requirements;

(B) Commercial motor vehicle is a motor vehicle designed or regularly used for carrying freight and merchandise or more than eight (8) passengers;

(C) Decal is a gummed decalcomania that is attached to a motorcycle or trailer when the vehicle meets the inspection requirements;

(D) Inspector/mechanic is any automotive mechanic issued a permit by the superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to conduct inspections;

(E) Motorcycle is a motor vehicle operated on two (2) wheels;

(F) Motor tricycle is a motor vehicle operated on three (3) wheels, including a motorcycle while operated with any conveyance requiring the use of a third wheel;

(G) Motor vehicle is any self-propelled vehicle not operated exclusively upon tracks, except farm tractors;

(H) Rejection notice is the yellow copy of the written document which is given to the vehicle owner and which shows that the vehicle does not meet the inspection requirements;

(I) Revocation is the rescinding of an inspection permit for a period of not less than one (1) year;

(J) School bus is any motor vehicle used solely to transport students to and from school or to transport students to or from any place for educational purposes.

1. A Type “A” school bus is a conversion or body constructed upon a flat-back cowl chassis and has a GVWR of more than ten thousand pounds (10,000 lbs.), designed for carrying more than ten (10) persons. All of the engine is beneath and/or beneath the windshield, and beside the driver’s seat. The entrance door is behind the front wheels.

2. A Type “B” school bus is a body designed and used in conjunction with a self-propelled vehicle when the vehicle meets the inspection requirements;

3. A Type “C” school bus is a body designed and used primarily to transport students to and from any place for educational purposes.

4. A Type “D” school bus is a body designed and used exclusively upon tracks, including a semitrailer or vehicle of the trailer type designed and used in conjunction with a self-propelled vehicle that a considerable part of its own weight rests upon and is carried by the towing vehicle;

5. (N) Truck-tractor is any self-propelled motor vehicle designed and used primarily for drawing other vehicles and not constructed to carry a load other than a part of the weight of the vehicle and load being drawn; and

6. (O) Vehicle owner is any person, firm, corporation or association who holds the legal title of a vehicle or in the event a vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or lease of it with the right of possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee, or in the event a mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then the conditional vendee or lessor or mortgagor shall be deemed the owner. The term owner also shall include any person renting or leasing a vehicle and having exclusive use of the vehicle for a period longer than thirty (30) days, the holder of a lessee title or the agent or personal representative of an owner as defined in this rule.


State v. Cushman, 451 SW2d 17 (1970). While an executive officer may not be delegated the power to make and promulgate rules of a strictly and exclusively legislative nature, the general assembly, having established a sufficiently definite policy, may authorize an administrative officer to make rules or orders relating to the administration or enforcement of the law. In other words, administrative power, as distinguished from legislative power, constitutionally may be delegated by the general assembly. . . section 304.720 (transferred in 1969 to 307.360) directs the superintendent of the state highway patrol to “establish standards and procedures to be followed in the making of inspections required by” the motor vehicle safety inspection laws.

11 CSR 50-2.020 Minimum Inspection Station Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule lists the minimum requirements for all official vehicle inspection stations. These requirements are necessary to insure that stations have the proper premises, equipment and personnel to perform inspections in a uniform manner and in accordance with the inspection rules.

(1) Premises.

(A) Each inspection station must have an inspection area within an enclosed building of sufficient length and width to accommodate a full-size domestic made passenger vehicle.

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Class C stations are required to have sufficient length and width to inspect full-size motorcycles.

1. In addition to an inside area, an outside inspection area may be approved for the inspection of commercial vehicles if it is of length and width of the vehicle or combination of vehicles being inspected.

2. The area shall be substantially level and constructed of hard material, such as asphalt or concrete. It shall be a part of and adjacent to the official vehicle inspection station.

(B) The station must be in compliance with applicable city, county and state regulations relating to zoning, merchant licensing, fictitious name and retail sales tax number.

(C) The inside inspection area shall be sufficiently lighted, adequately heated and properly ventilated.

(D) The floor must be substantially level and constructed of a hard material. Dirt, gravel and bituminous surface or sagging wood floors will not be accepted. The floor must be kept clean, free from excessive dirt, grease and loose material.

(E) If the station has only one (1) inspection area, no major mechanical repair work shall be permitted in the inspection area during normal business hours.

(F) Public inspection stations shall be located on an all-weather road and be readily accessible to the motoring public without entering the station premises by the opening of gates or other similar barriers.

(G) Operational changes, except the addition or deletion of inspector/mechanics, affecting the current station application must be submitted to the Missouri State Highway Patrol immediately.

(2) Equipment.

(A) All inspection stations, except Class C, must have the following equipment which must be arranged and located at or near the inside inspection area:

1. Brake performance. Some method of testing the service brake performance will be required. The use of a decelerometer, brake testing machine, dynamometer or drive and stop test will be recognized;

2. Brake lining gauge. A gauge will be required to determine the remaining thickness in fractions of an inch of both bonded and riveted linings;

3. Brake pad gauge. Some type of gauging device to accurately measure the remaining thickness of the brake pad in fractions of an inch while the pad is within the caliper assembly;

4. Ball joint gauge. A ball joint gauge to accurately measure any looseness in the load-carrying ball joint. The gauge must be adapted to measure vertical (up and down) and horizontal (side-to-side) movement;

5. Lift or jack. A lift or jack, capable of hoisting a vehicle properly to check ball joints, suspension linkage and wheel play. If a lift is used, it must be the type which allows the front wheels to be suspended by lifting under the outer extremity of a motor vehicle’s lower control arm, cross member or frame;

6. Scraper. A scraper to remove old stickers;

7. Measuring device. Yardstick or steel tape preferred;

8. Punch. An open face paper punch with a round die to validate inspection stickers and decals;

9. A tire tread depth gauge which is graduated into one-thousandth inch (1/32") increments must be part of the equipment at inspection stations that inspect school buses; and

10. A one-eighth inch (1/8") drawstring yard over thirty inches (30") in length with a one-half inch (1/2") hex nut attached to one (1) end to check handrails is required if the station will be inspecting school buses.

(B) Class C inspection stations must have the following equipment:

1. Measuring device; and

2. Punch.

(3) Personnel.

(A) Minimum of one (1) inspector/mechanic, except for a short period of time due to illness or annual vacation.

(B) Each inspection station will designate, on the station application, a person in charge of inspections who is responsible for the daily operation of the station insure that complete and proper inspections are being performed. The employee to be in charge of inspections will be present at the inspection station during the station’s hours of inspection, except for short periods of time, such as illness or annual vacation.


11 CSR 50-2.030 Inspection Station Classification

PURPOSE: This rule provides different classifications of public inspection stations and lists the type vehicle each class of station is authorized and equipped to inspect.

(1) Public inspection stations shall be classified as follows:

(A) Class A stations—all vehicles;

(B) Class B stations—motor vehicles;

(C) Class C stations—motorcycles only; and

(D) Class D stations—commercial vehicles.


11 CSR 50-2.040 Private Inspection Stations

PURPOSE: This rule lists the vehicles that private inspection stations may inspect and other responsibilities that apply only to private stations.

(1) A private official vehicle inspection station permit will be issued to any association, person, partnership, corporation, subsidiary corporation or governmental entity, provided its facilities, equipment and personnel meet the requirements prescribed for a public inspection station.
(A) A private inspection station shall inspect only vehicles registered or to be registered, titled or to be titled in the name of the person or organization described on the application for a permit or which are maintained under a written maintenance agreement of one (1)-year duration.

(B) Before any vehicles which are maintained under a written maintenance agreement can be inspected, a copy of the maintenance agreement must accompany the application for a private station permit or be on file at the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division, Jefferson City, Missouri.

(C) All inspection rules, standards and procedures shall apply to private inspection stations.


Op. Atty. Gen. No. 253, Hockaday (6-18-68). The superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol may issue private official inspection station permits to automobile dealers, municipalities and other governmental entities having one or more vehicles, trailers, or both, with a gross weight in excess of six thousand pounds.

11 CSR 50-2.050 Inspection Station Permits

PURPOSE: This rule prescribes uniform procedures for the licensing of inspection stations. These procedures are necessary to insure that fees are collected according to law for each applicant and that sufficient stations are licensed to perform inspections.

(1) Any person, firm, corporation, partnership or governmental entity requesting appointment as an official inspection station shall submit a completed inspection station application.

(2) The fee for a permit to operate a public or private inspection station is ten dollars ($10) per year. No fee shall be charged for a permit issued to a governmental entity. A permit is valid for one (1) year from the date of issue. Each permit shall be renewed on or before the expiration date. A completed inspection station application shall be accompanied by a check or money order made payable to the director of revenue and forwarded to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Motor Vehicle Inspection, P.O. Box 568, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0568. Under no circumstances will cash be accepted for the permit fee.

(3) No permit issued to an inspection station may be transferred or used at any other location. Any change in ownership or location shall cancel the station permit. The Missouri State Highway Patrol must be notified immediately when a change of ownership or location occurs or when a station discontinues operation.

(4) When an inspection station permit has been suspended or revoked, or when a station discontinues operation, all inspection supplies must be released on demand to a motor vehicle inspector or a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The failure to account for all inspection supplies will be sufficient cause not to reinstate a station permit.

(5) No motor vehicle inspection station license will be issued to a spouse, child(ren), son/daughter-in-law, employee or any person having an interest in the business for the privilege to conduct inspections at the same location or in close proximity to the location of a station whose license is under suspension or revocation, unless the applicant can provide reasonable assurance that the licensee under suspension or revocation will not be employed, manage, assist in the station operation or otherwise benefit financially from the operation of the business in any way.


Op. Atty. Gen. No. 127, Hockaday (5-25-72). Section 307.365(5), RSMo (Supp. 1971), dealing with the refunding of moneys for vehicle safety inspection stickers of those inspection stations which discontinue operation or...
MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION STATION APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS: PREPARE IN DUPLICATE WHEN FAMILIAR WITH THE MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION REGULATIONS. PLACE "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOXES.

BUSINESS NAME OR GOVERNMENTAL UNIT:

STREET:

COUNTY:

ZIP CODE:

MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE:

ZIP CODE:

TYPE & CLASS OF STATION: WHAT KINDS OF VEHICLES WILL BE INSPECTED?

CLASS
- A = ALL VEHICLES
- B = MOTOR VEHICLES
- C = MOTORCYCLES ONLY
- D = COMMERCIAL VEHICLES AND/OR TRAILERS ONLY

TYPE
- PUBLIC (ALL VEHICLES)
- PRIVATE (APPLICANT'S VEHICLES ONLY)
- GOVERNMENT (SPECIFIED GOV'T ONLY)

PRIMARY BUSINESS OR FUNCTION
- NV = NEW VEHICLE DEALER
- UV = USED VEHICLE DEALER
- OR = GENERAL REPAIR
- SC = SERVICE CENTER
- GS = GASOLINE SALES

PRIVATE (APPLICANT'S VEHICLES ONLY)
- NV = NEW VEHICLE DEALER
- UV = USED VEHICLE DEALER
- FO = FLEET OPERATION
- SH = SCHOOL
- OT = OTHER

GOVERNMENT (SPECIFIED GOV'T ONLY)
- SH = SCHOOL DISTRICT
- FD = FEDERAL
- ST = STATE
- CO = COUNTY
- CT = CITY

BUSINESS STRUCTURE
- SP = SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP
- PT = PARTNERSHIP
- CR = CORPORATION

BUSINESS OWNERS/ CORPORATION OFFICERS

SUBSIDIARY BUSINESSES OR UNITS I LIST SUBSIDIARIES WHOSE VEHICLES WILL BE INSPECTED:

PERSON TO BE IN CHARGE OF INSPECTIONS:

TITLE:

DAYS & HOURS WHEN INSPECTIONS WILL BE MADE (FILL IN THE NORMAL STARTING & STOPPING TIME FOR EACH INSPECTION DAY.):

INSPECTOR MECHANIC PERSONNEL: (LIST ONLY ACTIVE MECHANICS THAT HAVE A VALID INSPECTOR MECHANIC PERMIT.)

LAST NAME: NUMBER: LAST NAME: NUMBER:

01: 02: 03: 04: 05: 06: 07: 08: 09: 10: 11: 12:

CERTIFICATION OF OWNER, MANAGER OR GOV'T DIRECTOR:
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS ACCURATE SIGNATURE TITLE OR POSITION DATE
AND COMPLETE.

ACTION ON APPLICATION:
INSPECTION STATION APPLICATION: APPROVED: NOT APPROVED: (IF THE FACILITIES OR EQUIPMENT ARE INADEQUATE OR IF THE PERSONNEL ARE NOT QUALIFIED, MAKE COMMENTS.)

APPLICATION APPROVED AS:
- NEW STATION
- STATION RENEWAL
- REINSTATED STATION

TYPE OF STATION APPROVED:
- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- GOVERNMENTAL

CLASS OF STATION APPROVED:
- A
- B
- C
- D

SUPERVISION OF INSPECTION STATION ASSIGNED TO:

NAME:

INSPECTION STATION APPROVED BY:

NAME:

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**FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT**

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- FLOOR SURFACE
- LIGHTING
- HEATING & VENTILATION
- PERMITS, POSTERS & SIGNS PROPERLY DISPLAYED
- MVI REGULATIONS & BULLETINS
- RECORDS SAFETY & MAINTENANCE
- CLEANLINESS OF INSPECTION AREA
- TAPE OR RULER FOR LINEAR MEASURING
- WINDSHIELD STICKER REMOVER (SCAPER)
- STICKER/DECAL VALIDATING PUNCH

**EQUIPMENT & METHODOLOGY (MARK "X" IF ADEQUATE)**

- LIST BRAND AND MODEL OF EACH GAUGE
- BRAKE CHECK: ONE REQUIRED
  - R = ROAD TEST
  - D = DECELEROMETER
  - B = BRAKE MACHINE
  - HOISTING DEVICE
  - LIFT
  - JACK

- GAUGES: ALL REQUIRED
  - BALL JOINT GAUGE
  - BONDED BRAKE LINING GAUGE
  - DISC BRAKE GAUGE
  - RIVETED BRAKE LINING GAUGE

**REMARKS**

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Enclosed is check/money order # _______ dated _______ made payable to the Director of Revenue in the amount of $ _______ for the item(s) checked below.

Station Permit _____ Sign _____ Sticker/Decal Order _____

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11 CSR 50-2.060 Display of Permits, Signs and Poster

PURPOSE: This rule requires inspection station operators and inspector/mechanics to display inspection permits, the official sign and poster. This is necessary to identify the station as an official vehicle inspection station and to identify inspector/mechanics.

1. The station permit must be framed under clean glass and displayed in a conspicuous location discernible to those presenting vehicles for inspection.

2. The inspector/mechanic permit must be framed under clean glass and displayed in a conspicuous location discernible to those presenting vehicles for inspection.

3. The sign designating the station as a public inspection station shall be displayed in a location visible to the traveling public. This is not required for private stations.

4. The poster, MVI-6, must be framed under clean glass and displayed in a conspicuous location discernible to those presenting vehicles for inspection. This is not required for private stations.


11 CSR 50-2.080 Licensing of Inspector/Mechanics

PURPOSE: This rule lists minimum requirements and licensing procedures for inspector/mechanics. These requirements and procedures are necessary to ensure that inspections are performed by persons with sufficient training, experience and knowledge to perform the inspections uniformly and in accordance with the inspection rules.

1. Every person requesting appointment as an inspector/mechanic shall submit a completed inspector/mechanic application.

2. An inspector/mechanic must have at least one (1) year's practical experience as an automotive mechanic or must have completed a course of vocational instruction in automotive mechanics from a generally recognized educational institution, either public or private. All inspector/mechanics must be at least seventeen (17) years of age and able to read written instructions.

3. An inspector/mechanic must be thoroughly familiar with the contents of the inspection manual and must have passed a written test indicating knowledge of its contents. An inspector/mechanic will also be required to demonstrate practical knowledge by inspecting a vehicle. A minimum grade of eighty (80) is required to pass each written examination, practical examination or reexamination.

4. An inspector/mechanic permit will be issued without charge. Permits are valid for a period of three (3) years from the date of issuance or until suspended or revoked by the superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. An inspector/mechanic whose permit has been suspended or revoked shall be required to pass a reexamination before the permit will be reinstated.

5. An inspector/mechanic may be reexamined at any time, and if s/he fails the reexamination or refuses to be reexamined, the permit issued to him/her shall be suspended. If an inspector/mechanic fails a reexamination, s/he cannot again be tested until a period of thirty (30) days has elapsed.

6. A permit may be renewed before the expiration date or sixty (60) days after expiration without a reexamination. An inspector/mechanic does not have authority to conduct any inspections during the sixty (60)-day grace period unless the permit has been properly renewed.

7. Three (3) types of inspector/mechanic permits are available. A permit that restricts the inspector/mechanic to motorcycle and motor tricycle inspections only. A permit that authorizes an inspector/mechanic to safety inspect motor vehicles and trailers. A permit that authorizes an inspector/mechanic to perform safety and emissions inspections utilizing the Missouri Analyzer System (MAS).


11 CSR 50-2.070 Hours of Operation

PURPOSE: This rule lists the minimum hours of operation for inspection stations and the obligation of the station operator to inspect vehicles. This rule is necessary to ensure that stations will be open and available for inspection purposes.

1. The normal business hours of every public inspection station shall be at least eight (8) continuous hours per day, five (5) days per week.

2. Inspection station operators, inspector/mechanics, or both, are obligated to conduct inspections and reinspections of vehicles during normal business hours. A vehicle shall be inspected within a two (2)-hour period after being presented unless other vehicles are being inspected. A reinspection must begin within one (1) hour when a vehicle is presented during the twenty (20) consecutive-day period excluding Saturdays, Sundays and state holidays allowed by law for reinspections.
# INSPECTOR / MECHANIC APPLICATION

## MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Fill in all blocks and mark (X) in the appropriate boxes. Print information in capital letters with a pen. Attach a 3" x 5" photograph taken within the past 3 months (your name and address must be on the back of the photograph). Mail or deliver this completed application and your photograph to the Missouri State Highway Patrol headquarters of the troop area in which your employment is located. See address below.

Attention new applicant: To be eligible to become an inspector you must have had one year of practical experience as an automotive mechanic or have successfully completed a course of vocational instruction in automotive mechanics from a generally recognized educational institution, either public or private. Permits are not denied on the basis of sex, race, creed, color, religion or ancestry.

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### MECHANICAL EXPERIENCE & TRAINING

**NAME & ADDRESS (where experience/training received)**

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### INSPECTION STATION(S)

**NAME & ADDRESS OF CURRENT INSPECTION STATION EMPLOYER(S)**

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### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information in this application is accurate and complete, and if approved, that I will inspect vehicles in accordance with motor vehicle safety inspection laws and prescribed rules and regulations.

**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

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### ADMINISTRATIVE DATA (For officer's use only)

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