

BRAKE AND LAMP CERTIFICATION FOR SALVAGED VEHICLES

People who are registering their vehicle with a "Salvaged Title" will need to have a brake and lamp inspection to receive a certificate of compliance that the vehicle is in safe operating condition before the DMV will issue a title to the owner of the vehicle. The brake and lamp inspections and certification must be performed by a repair shop that is certified to perform these inspections. The following items will be inspected on a vehicle requiring a brake and lamp inspection and certification. Any deficiency on any item will result in a failure of that entire system and a certificate cannot be issued:

Brake System

- * Shoes or linings must be no thinner than 3/32 to metal of any kind. (They will be measured)
- * Drums and or rotors. Must be within manufacturers specs. (They will be measured)
- * All hardware must be present, installed correctly and in working order. (I.e. Self adjusters)
- * No signs of leakage in the hydraulic system; includes master cylinder, wheel cylinders, calipers, valves, lines & connections.
- * Hoses. No cracks allowed. Period (often overlooked)
- * Warning lamps. They must glow when they are supposed to glow and be off when they are supposed to be off.
- * Emergency brake. Must be capable of holding the vehicle on a 6% grade.
- * Vehicle must be able to stop (panic) in less than 20 feet at a speed of 25mph.

Lamp System

- * All originally equipped lighting equipment must be in working order. Please pre-inspect the following lights before your appointment. Headlamps, tail lamps, marker lamps, back-up lamps, brake lamps (third lamp if required), license plate lamps, turn signals, high beam indicator & any and all warning lamps. Dome light and instrument illumination are exempt from this inspection.
- * Headlamps must be aimable. All adjusting hardware must be in good working order.
- * Lenses must be intact. No cracks that will allow any white light to be emitted.
- * All reflectors must be intact.
- * No lens or cover that alter or distort light shown from lamps. (This includes paint on lenses and plastic covers.)
- * Body damage that interferes with the visibility of lighting equipment must be repaired prior to inspection.
- * Damage to headlamp aiming pads will need to be corrected prior to the inspection. These are the little pointy things on the lamps glass. They cannot be broken off.
- * Headlamps must not have moisture built up on the inside of the glass or plastic lenses.
- * If the vehicle is equipped with aftermarket lighting equipment, it must work or be removed.

***This is not a complete list of all inspection requirements. Please contact the shop directly if you have any other questions.