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**SPECIAL ORDER NO:** 23-1202

**TO:** All Automotive Safety Enforcement Division Personnel and Authorized Inspection Station Personnel

**SUBJECT:** Post Manufacture Window Tint Inspection Report; Medical Exemption Form; Medical Exemptions; and Vehicle Inspection Report

**PURPOSE:**

To provide additional information on the completion and maintenance by authorized inspection stations of Post Manufacture Window Tint Inspection Reports; maintenance by authorized inspection stations of Post Manufacture Window Tint Medical Exemption Forms issued by the Division; note regarding Medical Exemptions; and notation of post manufacture window tint on Vehicle Inspection Reports when applicable

**POLICY:**

A. Post Manufacture Window Tint Inspection Report

The completion of this form is required by an authorized inspection station conducting an inspection of a vehicle or the inspection of a vehicle issued a Safety Equipment Repair Order for defect #61 "TINT" and the vehicle is equipped with post manufacture window tint applied to regulated window(s). The vehicle must first be compliant with all other post manufacture window tinting regulations established in the Code of Maryland Regulations.

*Note: Regulated windows are windows required to have at least 35 percent light transmittance after the application of post manufacture window tint under the Code of Maryland Regulations.*

B. Post Manufacture Window Tint Medical Exemption Form

1. Division has created a "POST MANUFACTURE WINDOW TINT MEDICAL EXEMPTION FORM" MSP ASED 23-04(A) to provide notification and documentation to an authorized inspection station performing an inspection of a vehicle that is owned by a person who must be protected from the sun for medical reasons and has been

determined by the Division that the owner has met the medical exemption requirements established in Transportation Article 22-406, Annotated Code of Maryland, and excluding the light transmittance requirement, the vehicle is compliant with all other post manufacture window tinting regulations under the Code of Maryland Regulations.

2. The issuance of the post manufacture window tint medical exemption form by the Division shall permit the registered inspection mechanic to exempt the vehicle's windows equipped with post manufacture window tint from meeting the light transmittance requirement.

**C. Medical Exemptions**

Vehicles undergoing an inspection, or issued a safety equipment repair order for defect #61 "TINT" and the owner indicates to the authorized inspection station their compliance with a medical exemption, shall be referred to the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division of the Department of State Police for examination of the vehicle owner's medical documentation and the vehicle's post manufacture window tint, before an inspection on the vehicle is performed.

**PROCEDURE:**

**A. Post Manufacture Window Tint Inspection Report**

1. The post manufacture window tint inspection report shall be completed as required in Regulation .11 Records under the Code of Maryland Regulations 11.14.01 General Inspection.
2. Upon completion of the post manufacture window tint inspection report the carbonless copy shall be given to the vehicle owner, owner's agent, or the dealer for their records.
3. The original of the post manufacture window tint inspection report shall be maintained at the authorized inspection station as follows:
  - (i) Vehicles undergoing an inspection, the report shall be attached to the station's copy of the vehicle inspection report and maintained for the same time period required for vehicle inspection reports.
  - (ii) Vehicles issued a safety equipment repair order for defect #61 "TINT", the report shall be retained separate from the repair order and maintained in chronological order by the date of inspection, beginning with the most recent and maintained by calendar year for at least two years from the date of inspection.

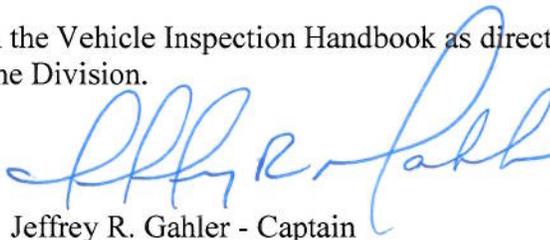
**B. Post Manufacture Window Tint Medical Exemption Form**

The post manufacture window tint medical exemption form shall be attached to the station’s copy of the vehicle inspection report and maintained for the same time period as required for vehicle inspection reports.

**C. Vehicle Inspection Report**

1. Until appropriate revisions are made to the Vehicle Inspection Report, registered inspection mechanics when inspecting a vehicle equipped with any post manufacture window tint shall print the word, “Tint”, in the “Damage or Glazing Indicate Window” box under "GLAZING" on the Vehicle Inspection Report.
2. In those cases where the vehicle being inspected has failed from the application of post manufacture window tint on regulated windows and all post manufacture window tint has now been removed from regulated windows, the inspector shall indicate in the “INSPECTORS ADDITIONAL COMMENTS” box, “Tint Removed”.

This special order is to be inserted in the Vehicle Inspection Handbook as directed in the Special Order Table of Contents issued by the Division.



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