





Vehicle Safety Inspection Program Bulletin

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Bulletin: All Inspection Station Personnel

From: Automotive Safety Enforcement Division

RE: Airbags, ABS, and Engine Warning Lights

Airbags, anti-lock brake systems, and engine warning lights are not currently regulated by Maryland. Warning light illumination, failure to perform self-check or other indications of potential fault in vehicle airbag system, anti-lock brake system, or an illuminated engine light must be noted on the Vehicle Inspection Report for owner/agent notification that these systems may not be operating properly. Illumination of these warning lights are not rejectable items for vehicle safety inspection.

The notification to the vehicle owner/agent relieves the inspection mechanic of responsibility for any existing fault with these components, and allows for recommendations for needed vehicle repairs to address systems which were required by Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and the United States Environmental Protection Agency for vehicles built to be sold in the United States.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact ASED at: 410-768-7388 or MSP.ASED@maryland.gov