

## 2023 Program Updates

- For calendar year 2023, vehicles that require testing include 1999 2020 model year gasoline-powered cars and light duty trucks with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 8,500 pounds or less that are registered in the 13 metro Atlanta counties. Model years 2021 and newer and model years 1998 and older are exempt. See the 2023 registration renewal insert at <a href="https://cleanairforce.com/common/forms-and-programs">https://cleanairforce.com/common/forms-and-programs</a>.
- The Repair Waiver amount will change to \$1,053. This amount is based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and is required to be adjusted annually. See the 2023 Q&A brochure at <a href="https://cleanairforce.com/common/forms-and-programs">https://cleanairforce.com/common/forms-and-programs</a>.
- Test early. Motorists are encouraged to have their vehicle inspected four to six weeks prior to their registration renewal date to allow for any needed repairs. Vehicles can be tested well in advance if the driver will be out of the area at the time of registration. An inspection is valid for 12 months or one renewal, by the same owner.
- Motorists should be directed to the GCAF website, <u>www.cleanairforce.com</u>, the Q&A brochure, and the Repair *Watch* Public Report for information on retest procedures, reasons for test failure, and qualified repair shops.
- Motorists can view a summary of their most recent vehicle inspection reports (VIRs) online via the GCAF website or at any GCAF Service Center.
- Sellers <u>located within the 13-county testing area</u> are responsible for selling a vehicle with a passing vehicle inspection report (VIR) <u>if the buyer is registering the vehicle in the 13-county area</u>. To file a complaint against a seller, motorists may download the "Used Vehicle Sale Complaint Form" from the GCAF website.
- For questions regarding certification status, insurance expiration dates and station or inspector information, station staff (owners, managers and inspectors) should call Station Assistance at 1.800.449.2471, option #2, submit an email to <u>industry@cleanairforce.com</u>, or utilize live chat, which is available via <u>www.cleanairforce.com</u>.
- For your convenience, station owners have the opportunity to order e-certs and manage accounting 24 hours a day/seven days a week with the GCAF Dashboard (<u>www.gadashboard.com</u>). Please contact GCAF Station Assistance via email at <u>industry@cleanairforce.com</u> for more information.
- Make certain your state-certified sign is in compliance and in good condition. Signs that are illegible, damaged or contain unapproved modifications must be replaced with an approved sign (DNR Rule 391-3-20-.09(2)e). If the station's official state-certified sign is non-compliant and the station fails consecutive audits for their sign, they will be subject to possible enforcement action by EPD. Details regarding state-certified sign vendors can be found on the GCAF website.
  - Please review the sign specifications handout available online (visit <u>https://cleanairforce.com/station-owners-managers</u>) or contact an approved sign vendor for more information.

- Stations must post a "Closed" sign when testing cannot be performed during the station's posted operating hours. The "Closed" sign must be posted in a location that can be easily viewed by motorists from their vehicle.
- Visit the "Stations" tab via the GCAF website for detailed I/M program information, such as updates to station information, station and inspector recertification, inspector training, and motorist resources, including program material in Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese and Mandarin Chinese.

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If you would like to receive an email copy of GAS messages or be added to our quarterly e-newsletter, Repair *Watch* E-News, please send a request to <u>info@cleanairforce.com</u>.

 $\sim$  GCAF and EPD require that you print, read, and store all GAS messages in a binder on or near the analyzer. GCAF and EPD also recommend that you print a second copy of these messages and post them in a prominent location for your employees to read. To retrieve and print a previous GAS message, go to the GAS message retrieval function in your analyzer and select the appropriate message to print (the analyzer holds up to 500 messages).  $\sim$