



KEY TIPS

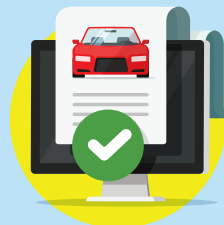
Americans buy 39.4 million used cars each year, according to a 2018 used car report from McKinsey & Company. With Georgians relying so heavily on their cars for transportation, purchasing the right vehicle is an important decision. Georgia's Clean Air Force, in partnership with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), offers **seven key tips for buying a pre-owned vehicle**.

Buying a Pre-Owned Vehicle



Obtain a Free Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR)

Motorists should get a free summary of the most recent vehicle inspection report. This report informs you if the vehicle has had a valid (passing) or failing emissions inspection performed within the last 12 months.



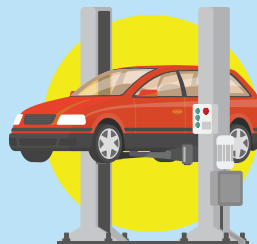
Ask for a Carfax Report

Carfax reports can provide a vehicle's history, letting you know if the vehicle has been involved in an accident or any other negative event. Some dealerships will run the report for you, or you can do it yourself.



Know the Seller

By researching the reviews of dealerships or sellers, you can eliminate those that are untrustworthy or have received negative reviews.



Acquire a Pre-Purchase Inspection

Employ a trusted third party to perform a pre-purchase inspection.



Take a Mechanic to a Private Sale

Bring a trusted mechanic with you to a private sale so you don't drive home with a lemon.



Complete an On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) Test

This test scans the vehicle for specific codes that lets you know if the vehicle has undergone certain repairs or maintenance services.



Choose Your County Wisely

Sellers located outside of Atlanta's 13-county testing area are not required to provide a passing emissions test at the time of the sale. Take this into consideration if you live in one of the 13 counties where passing an annual emissions test is required.

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