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Requirements Motorists Need to Know about the Senior Exemption

ATLANTA (June 26, 2020) – Motorists in the 13 metro Atlanta counties are required to undergo vehicle emissions testing annually to complete registration. Adults 65 or older may be eligible for a senior exemption, but they must meet several important qualifications.

“Age is not the only determining factor in order to qualify for a senior exemption,” said Michael Odom, Mobile & Area Sources Manager, Georgia EPD. “It is our job to ensure that each motorist is aware of the considerations prior to applying for the exemption.”

[Georgia's Clean Air Force](#), in partnership with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), shares five required criteria needed to obtain the senior exemption:

- 1) You must be 65 years or older.
- 2) Your vehicle is 10 model years old or older. For 2020, this includes all 2010 and older model year vehicles.
- 3) The annual mileage on the vehicle cannot exceed 5,000 miles. Also, the odometer must be functional in order to demonstrate the under 5,000 miles per year requirement.
- 4) You are the primary registered vehicle owner (your name is the first name listed on the vehicle title/registration).
- 5) You have proof of ownership of the vehicle (in the form of a copy of the vehicle's Georgia registration or renewal notice, current or from last year, or the vehicle's Georgia title).

To be considered for a senior exemption, motorists can file an application electronically through www.cleanairforce.com, or submit the required forms in-person at any Georgia's Clean Air Force Customer Service Center or at select metro Atlanta tag offices.

A completed Senior Exemption Application requires documentation that must include official copies of the motorist's proof of age, such as a driver's license or a passport,

and proof of ownership in the form of the vehicle's Georgia registration or renewal notice, current or from last year, or the vehicle's Georgia title.

A proxy may turn in the application and necessary documentation for eligible seniors, but they must sign the paperwork and submit a copy of their driver's license.

To download an infographic on Georgia's Clean Air Force's Senior Exemption, visit their website at <http://www.cleanairforce.com>.

About Georgia's Clean Air Force

Georgia's Clean Air Force (GCAF), in partnership with the Environmental Protection Division (EPD), is responsible for the management of the Enhanced Vehicle Emission Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) Program throughout Atlanta's 13 metro counties. Since 1996, Georgia's Inspection and Maintenance Program has prevented nearly 1.9 million tons of harmful ozone-forming pollutants from entering the air we breathe, the equivalent of removing 13,400 vehicles from the road or planting more than 400 million trees. It is estimated that Georgia residents have saved \$311 million in utility bills since 1996 due to cleaner air. The program has also identified and repaired more than 3.8 million heavy-polluting vehicles. For more information, please visit <http://www.cleanairforce.com/>.

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