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ATTENTION: Official Inspection Stations, Quality Assurance Officers, and Pennsylvania State Police

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Fog Lamp & High Beam Use

A 2020 Nissan Sentra SR with an optional lighting system that allows the fog lamps to stay on when high beams are engaged may not be rejected in a safety inspection for failing to meet the lighting requirement in Section 175.80(a)(9)(x) of the Safety Inspection Regulations.

Nissan manufactured the 2020 Sentra SR with an optional lighting package that allowed the simultaneous operation of both the high beam headlamps and the fog lamps. This is usually a safety inspection rejection item. However, Nissan has been granted a waiver of Section 175.80(a)(9)(x) for Nissan Sentra SR vehicles manufactured with the optional lighting package that includes the ability to illuminate the high beam headlamps and the fog lamps at the same time. Accordingly, these vehicles should not be rejected for a safety inspection because they fail to meet the lighting requirement in Section 175.80(a)(9)(x). According to Nissan, 483 of these vehicles were sold in Pennsylvania between February and October 2020.

Headlight Aiming

This bulletin is highlighting the importance of headlight aiming, which is a required part of the inspection procedure. Stations must ensure headlight aiming equipment, as defined in the inspection regulations (Tools and Equipment), properly tests or aims the headlights of the makes and models of vehicles they inspect. Stations and inspectors should expect their Quality Assurance Officer to ask about the station's headlight aiming equipment during audits.

New Inspector ID Numbers

In 2019, postcards were mailed to all Safety Inspection Stations informing inspectors of PennDOT's New Inspector ID number and ID card program. Any inspector who had not already received a new-style Safety Inspector ID card displaying their new ID number had the opportunity to acquire a new Safety Inspector ID Card at no cost. For the time being, this program is still active. We encourage all certified inspectors to take advantage of this program.

How can I tell if I have the right Safety Inspector ID card and number?

Check to see if your SAFETY Inspector ID Card starts with the number 9 – this is the correct, new-style version. If you are already in possession of your New Safety Inspector ID Card and number, you should be using your New Safety Inspector Card and number in all safety inspection record keeping, including e-Safety, as well any other safety inspection related records and circumstances.

If you have never ordered and received your New Safety Inspector ID Card, or possibly lost/misplaced your card, please continue reading.

How do I get a new-style Safety Inspector ID Card?

Inspectors should visit the PA training portal website at www.patrainportal.com to order the new-style ID card. For a limited time, the new ID card will be available at no cost to **inspectors who have never received a new style card**. Follow the steps below to check the availability of a New Safety Inspector ID card:

Step 1: If you already have an account, login to the training portal with your existing user ID and Password. If you don't have an account, click on "Sign-Up" to setup a new account.

Step 2: Once logged in, click on the plus sign beside "New ID Card" to see if there is a new Safety Inspector ID card available.

Step 3: If the system **is** showing a New Safety Inspector ID Card available, **continue to step #4**. If not, see note below.

Note: *If you have already received a new Safety Inspector ID Card, the date produced will be displayed by the system. If you've lost or misplaced your ID Card see "Lost or misplaced your card?" section below.*

Step 4: Click on the "order" button and follow the instructions to order and produce your New Safety Inspector Card and confirm/change the delivery address as needed. New cards should arrive within 3-weeks of order date.

Lost or misplaced your card?

If you have lost/misplaced your NEW Safety Inspector ID Card and need to order a replacement, you can do so by logging into your account on the www.patrainportal.com website - click on "Pay For Training", then "Safety Training Packages", to pay for and order a replacement ID Card. Your Training Portal User ID is your NEW Safety Inspector ID Card Number. If you don't remember your NEW Safety Inspector ID Card Number, or Training Portal password, click on "Forgot User ID or Password" and follow the prompts.

Have Questions about the New ID Card Program?

Contact the Inspection Station Operator Hotline
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