PA VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION, Certification – (Noncredit)

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The Safety Inspection Training course informs students of the regulations and requirements concerning Pennsylvania Safety Inspection of vehicles, as well as prepares them to pass the State Certification Exam for Pennsylvania Vehicle Safety Inspections.

This training serves the needs of individuals who are already employed within the industry. The Safety Inspection course is operated in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and can be completed at the Harrisburg Campus through on-campus/in-person instruction.

This 12-hour course leads to Pennsylvania Safety Inspection certification administered by PennDOT and contains both classroom and hands-on instruction.

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Career Opportunities

This course trains students working in a dealership or automotive shop to be able to provide safety inspection services to customers.

Competency Profile

This curriculum is designed to prepare the student to:

- Pass the Pennsylvania Safety Inspection certification exam
- Describe the rules covering Pennsylvania safety inspections
- Demonstrate proper use of inspection tools
- Demonstrate proper documentation
- Inspect a passenger car, or light truck, and determine whether or not the vehicle has passed
- Describe the various systems and the requirements needed to meet inspection standards

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

This PA Safety Inspection course assesses the student's ability to successfully inspect a vehicle and determine, according to PA regulations, if the vehicle meets the safety requirements covered in this 12-hour course – nine (9) Lecture hours, three (3) Lab hours. Upon successful completion of the written and practical exams the student becomes a certified and licensed PA Safety Inspection technician.

RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE

The Inspection course includes:

- General Provisions purpose, definition, equipment rules, semi-annual and annual inspection.
- Official Inspection Station Requirements required certificates and signs, inspection area, tools and equipment, and the obligations and responsibilities of certified technicians.
- Certificate of Inspection procedures, recording inspection security, and violation of the use of certificate of inspection
- Schedule of penalties and suspensions of official inspection stations.
- Passenger Cars and Light Trucks suspension, steering, braking systems, tires, and wheels, etc.
- Medium and heavy-duty trucks and buses
- Recreational, semi and utility trailers
- Motorcycles
- Motor-driven cycles and motorized pedal cycles
- Street rods, specially constructed and reconstructed vehicles
- Alternate-fuels systems