

GOVERNMENT OF GUAM  
Office of the Governor  
Agana, Guam

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11-58

WHEREAS, Section 23147(a), Government Code of Guam, authorizes the Director of Public Safety to make necessary rules and regulations, relative to safety inspection of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Section 23147(a), Government Code of Guam, provides that such rules and regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Governor:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the foregoing, the attached rules and regulations entitled: "Vehicle Safety Inspection Rules and Regulations" are hereby approved and promulgated by executive order, and shall be in force and effect from 12:01 a.m., August 29, 1958.

Dated at Agana, Guam, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1958.

/S/ MARC. BOSS

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Acting Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

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GOVERNMENT OF GUAM  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, Section 23147(a), Government Code of Guam, authorizes the Director of Public Safety to make necessary rules and regulations, subject to the approval of the Governor, relative to safety inspection of vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the foregoing the Director of Public Safety does hereby issue and make the following rules and regulations entitled "Vehicle Safety Inspection Rules and Regulations", numbers 1 through 11:

1. Every motor vehicle, including passenger vehicle, motor truck, truck-tractor, motor bus, motorcycle, motor scooter, motor driven bicycle, and any other self-propelled vehicle, and every trailer, semi-trailer, and pole or pipe dolly, shall be inspected upon an original application for registration and at least once annually.

2. The Director of Public Safety shall establish an inspection station or stations suitably staffed and equipped which shall be operated on a year-round basis. Such station or stations may be of a permanent or temporary nature.

3. The Director shall annually issue a notice for one year in advance showing the schedule of inspection for each indicated group in accordance with Section 11, which notice shall be suitably displayed on government buildings and copies of same forwarded to the commissioners.

4. Vehicles may be inspected prior to the required period of inspection at the owner's request.

5. A fee of \$1.00 shall be charged for each inspection except no charge shall be made for the inspection of Government of Guam vehicles. The Director of Public Safety may by agreement with the Director of Public Works provide for the inspection of Government of Guam vehicles by the Department of Public Works,

and provide a special decalcomania therefor.

6. All fees shall be collected only by such Department of Public Safety employees as are designated as Treasurer's Agents.

7. The Director may authorize the acceptance of a duly issued and current decalcomania or other identification of the Armed Forces of the United States issued in Guam, and indicating a safety inspection and approval by the Armed Forces in lieu of inspection by the Department of Public Safety, if such Armed Forces' inspection meets the requirements of the Government of Guam inspection.

8. In the event a vehicle is found to be deficient in that it does not meet the requirements of the Vehicle Code as to equipment or is found to be in an unsafe condition, as outlined in Section 9 hereof, a rejection decalcomania shall be affixed to the windshield of such vehicle and a written statement of such deficiencies shall be given to the driver. The written statement, in addition to deficiencies found on inspection, shall also state that such deficiencies must be repaired within five days of the date of the issuance of the statement.

9. Safety inspection of vehicles shall be conducted to determine compliance with the following:

(1) Head Lamps. Every motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or bicycle with motor attached shall be equipped with not less than two head lamps in proper operating condition on both high and low beam, correctly aimed, and capable of clearly discerning persons and vehicles on the highway at a distance of 500 feet. Every motorcycle shall have at least one head lamp and not more than two. (Section 23104 (b) and (c), Government Code.)

(2) Rear Lamps. Every motor vehicle and every trailer and semi-trailer shall have a red rear lamp capable of being seen 500 feet from the rear of such vehicle. Such rear lamp, or a separate lamp, must illuminate the license plate with a white light so as to be clearly visible for a distance of 50 feet from the rear. (Section 23104(d), Government Code.)

(3) Spot Lamps. A motor vehicle or motorcycle may be equipped with not more than one spot lamp aimed so that it does not illuminate any area to the left of a prolongation of the extreme left side of the vehicle nor for a distance greater than 100 feet ahead of the vehicle. (Section 23105(a), Government Code.)

(4) Brakes. Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with two sets of brakes. The service brakes must stop the vehicle within 30 feet from a speed of 20 miles per hour; except that where a vehicle is properly equipped with two-wheel service brakes, it is sufficient if the service brakes stop the vehicle within 40 feet from a speed of 20 miles per hour. The emergency brake must stop the vehicle within a distance of 55 feet from a speed of 20 miles per hour. All brakes shall be in good working order and equally adjusted. (Section 23106, Government Code.)

(5) Horn. Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a horn in good working order capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet, but no horn shall emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound. (Section 23108, Government Code.)

(6) Siren. No vehicle shall be equipped with a siren except as authorized by the Director of Public Safety. (Section 23108, Government Code.)

(7) Rear-view Mirror. Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a mirror so located as to reflect to the driver a view of the highway for a distance of at least 200 feet to the rear of the vehicle. (Section 23109, Government Code.)

(8) Signs, posters, etc. Vehicles shall be rejected when found having any sign, poster, card, sticker, decalcomania, or other nontransparent material, on the windshield, side wings, or windows other than within a seven inch square in the lower corner farthest removed from the driver's position on the windshield, or upon the side windows of the vehicle on the rear of the driver and so placed that said materials will not obstruct the driver's clear view of approaching traffic. Any current decalcomania of the Armed Forces of the United States or Government of Guam is excepted from this section. (Section 23110, Government Code.)

(9) Windshield wiper. Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a windshield wiper capable of removing rain, moisture or other substance from such windshield and of being controlled or operated by the operator. (Section 23110, Government Code.)

(10) Muffler. Every motor vehicle must be equipped with an adequate muffler so as to prevent any excessive or unusual noise. No muffler or exhaust system shall be equipped with a cut-out, by-pass or similar device. (Section 23113.1, Government Code.)

(11) Safe Condition. In addition to complying with the above requirements every vehicle must be in such safe condition as not to endanger the driver or any other person or property when driven or moved on any highway. (Section 23146(b), Government Code.)

10. Whenever a safety inspection is made, the following items shall also be checked to determine compliance with the Vehicle Code wherever feasible and appropriate action taken:

(1) All vehicles:

(a) Operator's license.

(b) Registration card, including verification of motor number, license plate number (and tab, if any), any special number assigned by the Department of Finance to a trailer or semi-trailer.

(c) Obscene or vulgar items. Any plate, card, lettering, mark or picture of an obscene or vulgar nature. (Section 23111, Government Code.)

(2) Taxicabs.

(a) Taxicab driver's license.

(b) Interior identification display and rates. The following shall be permanently displayed in the interior so as to be visible to a passenger:

1. A photograph of the operator.
2. The full name of the operator.
3. The taxicab driver's license number.
4. A schedule of legal taxicab rates.

(Section 23501, Government Code.)

(c) Exterior identification. The name of the registered owner of the vehicle and the word "taxi" shall be prominently displayed on both sides of the exterior, and an individual serial number where more than one taxicab is registered in the name of the owner. (Section 33502, Government Code.)

11. Vehicles originally registered prior to October 1, 1958, shall be inspected according to the following annual schedule commencing October 1, 1958:

<u>Model Year of Vehicle</u>	<u>Inspection Period</u>
1942 and older	October
1943 through 1949	November
1950	December
1951	January
1952	February
1953	March
1954	April
1955	May
1956	June
1957	July
1958	August

Vehicles originally registered on or after October 1, 1958, shall be inspected prior to such registration and thereafter annually during the anniversary month of such original inspection.

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