Effective: Immediately

New Information

The Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) notified the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) that BAR is out of Certificate of Compliance–Brake Adjustment (B-91, Rev. 4/99) forms (Attachment A) for motor vehicle brake system inspections.

BAR provided interim certificates (Attachment B) to licensed brake stations beginning February 15, 2017. The interim certificate is identical to the standard B-91, but the standard B-91 is made from speckled grey carbon paper and the interim certificate is made from traditional white paper. The interim certificate numbers are 2487001 through 2488000.

**NOTE:** On February 24, 2017, licensed brake stations received their supply of the correct standard B-91 forms and were instructed not to use interim certificates.

Procedures

Accept the interim certificates dated between February 15, 2017, and February 23, 2017, in lieu of the standard B-91 when a vehicle registration application requiring a brake inspection is submitted. If you receive an interim certificate that was not issued during the approved date range or need to verify that an interim certificate is valid, contact the following Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) personnel:

- Frenchie Mayugba (916) 403-8547
- Leslie Esparza (916) 403-8557
- John Stanley (916) 403-8537

Continue to follow current procedures in the *Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual* when reregistering vehicles that have been declared junk or salvage, and registering specially-constructed (SPCNS) vehicles.

Background

To ensure public safety, DMV may refuse registration if a vehicle is mechanically unsafe or unfit to be operated or moved on California highways. Current procedures allow DMV to issue a one-day Vehicle Moving Permit (REG 172) form if a brake and/or light inspection certificate is required and has not been submitted. A temporary operating permit (TOP) cannot be issued for a vehicle unless the brake and light certificates have been submitted and all fees have been paid.

Distribution

Notification that this memo is available online, at [www.dmv.ca.gov](http://www.dmv.ca.gov) under Publications was made via California DMV’s Automated Email Alert System in April 2017.

References

*California Vehicle Code* §11519


VIN 2015-24 Brake and Lamp Certificates
Contact
Call the DMV Customer Communications Section at (916) 657-6560 for further clarification of this memo.

Attachments (2)
February 15, 2017

California Department of Motor Vehicles
All Field Offices

RE: Interim Certificate of Compliance – Brake Adjustment

To All Field Office Management and Staff:

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) is currently out of certificates of compliance for motor vehicle brake system inspections. BAR anticipates receipt of certificates from its printing contractor within the next 14 days; however, several licensed brake stations have notified us that they are completely out of certificates. Due to this urgent situation and to minimize station and consumer frustration, BAR is implementing an alternative for these stations so they may continue to offer brake system inspection services to their customers.

Effective today, BAR will provide upon request interim certificates (see attached) to licensed brake stations. The interim certificate form is identical to the standard certificate, but differs in paper type and color. Standard certificates are made from speckled grey carbon paper and interim certificates are made from traditional white paper. Once the last interim certificate is distributed, BAR will forward to DMV a list of interim certificate numbers and the Automotive Repair Dealer registration number for stations that received these interim certificates.

BAR will notify DMV of any additional changes that may be necessary. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at (916) 403-8547.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Frenchie Mayuga
Licensing Manager
Bureau of Automotive Repair

Attachment: Interim Certificate of Compliance – Brake Adjustment
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE - BRAKE ADJUSTMENT

BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

BA 2

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO.  

NAME OF REGISTERED OWNER  

MAKE  

YR. MODEL  

Applicable Items Shall Be Indicated (X) by Licensed Brake Adjuster

PURPOSE OF CERTIFICATION

☐ Brake Adjustment  

☐ Inspection of Enforcement Document #  

☐ Registration of Reconstructed Vehicle  

☐ Other  

Type  

Prep  

Adj  

Repair  

Air  

Vacuum  

Hydraulic  

Mechanical  

Boxes checked below identify satisfactory condition of adjustment as required for

☐ SERVICE BRAKE  

☐ PARKING BRAKE  

☐ Lining and Shoes  

☐ Drum Brakes  

☐ Emergency Stopping System  

☐ Breakaway Device  

☐ Check Valve  

☐ Air Governor  

☐ Connections  

☐ Safety Valve  

Road test fail rate of less than 10 per cent.

Vehicle Type  

Weight  

All items checked above are of an approved type and I have performed the applicable inspection, adjustment, or repair as specified by the Bureau of Automotive Repair and the vehicle manufacturer, and in accordance with Title 13 and Title 19 of the California Code of Regulations, the Vehicle Code, and the Business and Professions Code. I hereby certify under penalty under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

ADJUSTER'S SIGNATURE  

DATE OF ISSUANCE  

ADJUSTER'S LICENSE NO.  

STATION LICENSE NO.  

This certificate must be issued on the date of inspection and is valid for 90 days after issuance.

B-91 (Rev. 4/99)