

# Emission Check

You're on the Road to Cleaner Air.

What do I do if my vehicle fails its test?

## **Have your vehicle repaired and re-tested.**

- You can take your vehicle to an Authorized Emission Specialist. Find an authorized emission specialist near you at [www.emissionstestwa.com](http://www.emissionstestwa.com), or ask the test station attendant for a printed list.
- Anyone can repair your vehicle. However, only the cost of diagnosis and repairs done by an Authorized Emission Specialist apply toward a waiver (see "What is a waiver?" below).
- Your \$15 Emission Check fee includes one free retest if your first test was done at a test station run by Applus Technologies. The retest must be done within 365 days of the first test. After the one free retest, each additional test costs \$15.

## **What if your vehicle fails a test because it is "not ready"?**

- Your vehicle failed the emission test because the vehicle's computer, which monitors the operation of your vehicle's emission controls, was unable to determine if the vehicle will pass an emission test.
- Your vehicle may qualify for the installation of a readiness detector at no cost to you. Ask a test station manager if your vehicle qualifies.
- You may have to ask an Authorized Emission Specialist about how to prepare your vehicle for a retest. This could be as simple as driving under a variety of conditions.

## **What is a repair waiver?**

A waiver allows you to register your vehicle this year even if it fails a retest. You can get a waiver after **all** of the following requirements are met:

- You have spent at least \$150 on diagnosis and/or appropriate emissions repairs by an Authorized Emission Specialist after the initial test failure.
- You have given the test station manager the original repair receipts signed by an Authorized Emission Specialist. The receipts must include the vehicle's license number and vehicle identification number.
- Your vehicle passes a visual inspection of its emission control equipment at the test station.

**Repair waivers are only issued at test stations operated by Applus Technologies.**

If you have questions about your vehicle's emission test, please see the test station manager.

**If you need more help, please call Ecology between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays**

**Western Washington 1-800-272-3780 or Eastern Washington 1-509-329-3491**

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