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Department of Motor Vehicles

Inspections Performed at DMV

Location and Hours of Inspection Lanes

- [Wethersfield](#) - Monday through Friday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- [Hamden](#) - Tuesday through Friday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Please Note: Although inspections are conducted on Mondays in Wethersfield, all branch offices are closed Mondays, and therefore all required inspection documents must be pre-paid when the branch office is open. Also, the last full inspection must be in line by 3:15 pm.

Vehicles or issues that require an inspection include:

- Camp Vehicles
 - [Commercial Vehicles over 18,000 lbs. GVWR and Commercial Trailers over 10,000 lbs. GVWR seeking a TEMPORARY registration.](#)
 - [Composite](#) and [Salvage \(Totaled\) Vehicles](#) - This includes reconstructed vehicles, all kit cars, antiques and modified antique vehicles. See [FAQs on customizing vehicles.](#)
 - [Driver Education Vehicles](#)
 - [Emissions Testing](#) (Not performed at DMV offices)
 - [Grey Market Vehicles](#) (certain imported vehicles).
 - [Homemade Trailers](#)
 - Motorcycles - modified off-road motorcycles. [See inspection checklist](#)
 - [School Transportation Vehicles 10,000 pound GVWR and under.](#)
 - [Service Buses](#)
 - [Taxis](#)
 - [Vehicle Identification Number \(VIN\) Assignments](#)
 - [Vehicle Identification Number \(VIN\) Verifications for certain vehicle types.](#) (VIN verifications expire after 30 days.)
 - [Warning tickets](#)
 - [Wreckers](#)
- **Camp Vehicles:** Annual inspections are performed free of charge at a DMV inspection lane. You must obtain the [inspection form](#) from the [Department of Public Health](#) prior to the DMV inspection.

- **Commercial Vehicles over 18,000 lbs. GVWR and Commercial Trailers over 10,000 lbs. GVWR seeking a temporary registration.** Connecticut Motor Vehicle Regulation 14-137-120 requires commercial motor vehicles over 18,000 lbs. GVWR and commercial trailers over 10,000 lbs. GVWR seeking temporary registrations be inspected in accordance with the North American Standard Level I inspection at a DMV facility. Temporary commercial registrations for more than 10 days will not be issued for vehicles that do not pass inspection in full compliance with the [Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations](#) at a DMV facility. Also, please see [registration of a commercial vehicle](#) for more information.

Commercial Inspections required by 14-137-120 for temporary registration are only performed at:

- **Union Scale-** by appointment only, call 860-263-5446, Tuesday through Thursday: 7a.m. to 10 a.m. (The Union Scale is located between Exit 74 and 73 of Interstate 84 – Westbound)

- **Wethersfield DMV** - Monday through Friday: 8 a.m. to noon.
- **Driver Education Vehicles** require a yearly inspection at a DMV inspection lane.
- **School Transportation Vehicles 10,000 pound GVWR and under:** will be scheduled by the Inspectors in the district or may be brought to the inspection lane.
- **Taxi:** Only **first-time** taxi inspections are performed at DMV. Vehicles must be complete with lights and meters. Inspections required for the renewal of a taxi registration are done through a [Connecticut Licensed Dealer or Repairer](#). The CT licensed dealer or repairer shall be allowed to charge a **maximum** fee of \$20 for the inspection.
- **Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Assignments:** VIN assignments can only be performed at the Wethersfield inspection lane. Please call the Vehicle Identification Unit at (860) 263-5090 to make an appointment for a car or truck. Trailer VIN assignments do not need appointments, however, they can only be brought in for inspection from Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. (closed from noon to 1pm) Trailers with a gross vehicle weight of over 3,000 pounds will be charged \$50 for the assigned VIN.
- **Warning Tickets:** If you have received a warning ticket from a law enforcement agency for window tint, VIN problems or if the officer indicates 'DMV Inspection Only', you must present the vehicle for inspection at a DMV inspection lane. All other warning tickets may be presented to a [Connecticut Licensed Dealer or Repairer](#) for inspection.

Additional Information

- No temporary plates will be issued to a vehicle that has failed for service brakes, steering components or frame rot until repairs have been certified by a [Connecticut licensed dealer or repairer](#) as completed.
- No inspection will be performed if the title documents are marked "not safe for the road, junk, etc." A letter from a [Connecticut licensed dealer or repairer](#) is required stating that repairs have been made and the vehicle is now safe for the road.
- Temporary Commercial Registrations for more than 10 days will not be issued for vehicles that do not pass inspection in full compliance with the [Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations](#) at a DMV Inspection Lane.

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