

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS  
TO GEORGIA’S RULES FOR ENHANCED INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE  
CHAPTER 391-3-20**

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Environmental Protection Division (hereinafter, “EPD”) of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes Amendments to Georgia’s Rules for Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance, Chapter 391-3-20 (hereinafter, “the proposed Inspection and Maintenance Rule Amendments”). The Director of EPD certifies that the revisions to rules 391-3-20-.01, 391-3-20-.03, 391-3-20-.04, 391-3-20-.05, 391-3-20-.06, 391-3-20-.07, 391-3-20-.09, 391-3-20-.10, 391-3-20-.13, 391-3-20-.19, and 391-3-20-.22 are required to exercise authority approved and/or delegated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to implement Section 182 of the Federal Clean Air Act. The proposed Inspection and Maintenance Rule Amendments are described below:

**Chapter 391-3-20, “Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance,”** is being amended to update the title of the chapter by removing the word “Enhanced”.

**Rule 391-3-20-.01, “Definitions,”** is being amended to update the definitions by revision as necessary.

**Rule 391-3-20-.03, “Covered Vehicles; Exemptions,”** is being amended to modify terminology.

**Rule 391-3-20-.04, “Emission Inspection Procedures,”** is being amended to revise terminology to reflect the removal of the fuel cap pressure testing requirement, which is being replaced with a fuel cap verification.

**Rule 391-3-20-.05, “Emission Standards,”** is being amended to revise terminology to reflect the removal of the fuel cap pressure testing requirement, which is being replaced with a fuel cap verification.

**Rule 391-3-20-.06, “On-Road Testing of Exhaust Emissions by Remote Sensing Technology or Other Means,”** is being repealed because on-road testing is no longer required as a part of the I/M Program.

**Rule 391-3-20-.07, “Inspection Equipment System Specifications,”** is being amended to reflect the removal of the fuel cap pressure testing requirement.

**Rule 391-3-20-.09, “Inspection Station Requirements,”** is being amended to modify formatting.

**Rule 391-3-20-.10, “Certificates of Authorization,”** is being amended to add punctuation.

**Rule 391-3-20-13, “Certificate of Emission Inspection,”** is being amended to revise terminology to reflect the removal of the fuel cap pressure testing requirement, which is being replaced with a fuel cap verification.

**Rule 391-3-20-19, “Management Contractor,”** is being amended to revise terminology.

**Rule 391-3-20-22, “Enforcement,”** is being amended to correct a capitalization error.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed Inspection and Maintenance Rule Amendments, a synopsis, and a statement of rationale of the rule revisions, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. These documents may be viewed at <https://epd.georgia.gov/chapter-391-3-20> or by appointment only at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 104, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. To set an appointment, email [askepd@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:askepd@dnr.ga.gov) with your name, email and phone number and an associate will reach out to you. Copies may also be requested by contacting Anna Aponte, [Anna.Aponte1@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Anna.Aponte1@dnr.ga.gov), or the Environmental Protection Division Director’s Office at [askepd@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:askepd@dnr.ga.gov).

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed Inspection and Maintenance Rule Amendments, a public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on November 30, 2023. EPD will be hosting this public hearing via Zoom. Zoom is a free web conferencing platform that also allows participation by phone.

To log into the public hearing on your computer, please click this link or copy and paste it into your browser to join the meeting:

<https://gaepd.zoom.us/j/95488127537?pwd=c2toR1M4TWtSOGVuRnhKQXUxbW1Zdz09>

To ensure that you are ready to participate when the meeting begins, we recommend that you download Zoom in advance. Zoom can be found here: <https://zoom.us>

To dial in by phone, please call this number: 888-788-0099 (Toll free). When prompted, enter the Meeting ID and/or Passcode shown below.

The meeting ID is 954 8812 7537  
Passcode: 435503

Please note that if you choose to participate by phone, your phone number may be visible to other meeting attendees.

During the hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing. Oral statements should be concise. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted in writing for the official record.

Written comments are welcomed. To ensure their inclusion in EPD's package for the Board of

Natural Resources, written comments should be received by close of business on December 7, 2023. Written comments may be emailed to [EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us](mailto:EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us) or sent via regular mail addressed to: Branch Chief, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

The proposed Inspection and Maintenance Rule Amendments will be considered for adoption by the Board of Natural Resources at its meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 23, 2024. The meeting will be open to the public and held in the DNR Board Room located at 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE, Suite 1252, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

The proposed Inspection and Maintenance Rule Amendments are proposed for adoption pursuant to authority contained in the Georgia Motor Vehicle Emission Inspection and Maintenance Act (O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-40 et. seq.). For further information, contact Anna Aponte, (470) 251-2942 at the Air Protection Branch.