

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO GEORGIA'S RULES FOR INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE
SUBJECT 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 Inspection and Maintenance, Subject 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-.04, 391-3-20-.05, 391-3-20-.07, 391-3-20-.09, 391-3-20-.13, 391-3-20-.17, 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:

Rule 391-3-20-.01, "Definitions," is being amended to update the definitions by deletion or revision as necessary and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.01 will be submitted as a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.04, "Emission Inspection Procedures," is being amended to revise terminology to reflect the removal of the 2-speed idle (TSI) test and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.04 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.05, "Emission Standards," is being amended to revise terminology to reflect the removal of the TSI test and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.05 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.07, "Inspection Equipment System Specifications," is being amended to reflect the removal of the TSI test, reflect the update to Phase VI, and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.07 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.09, "Inspection Station Requirements," is being amended to update punctuation, to remove references to the RepairWatch Public Report, which is no longer being published, to update language for clarity, and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.09 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.13, "Certificate of Emission Inspection," is being amended to revise terminology to reflect the removal of the TSI test, to remove references to the RepairWatch Public Report, which is no longer being published, and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.13 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.17, “Waivers,” is being amended to remove references to TSI tests. Rule 391-3-20-.17 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

Rule 391-3-20-.22, “Enforcement,” is being amended to remove a reference to the RepairWatch Public Report and to update nomenclature. Rule 391-3-20-.22 will be submitted as a SIP revision to EPA.

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/subject-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 with your name, email and phone number and an associate will reach out to you. Copies may also be requested by contacting Elisabeth Munsey, Elisabeth.Munsey@dnr.ga.gov, Anna Aponte, Anna.Aponte1@dnr.ga.gov, or the Environmental Protection Division Director’s Office at 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 2:00 p.m. on October 1, 2025. 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/98951315423?pwd=ZGI29oPOGB2gfa7407qQDKvSqPnMnb.1>

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 989 5131 5423

Passcode: 155271

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 4:30 PM on October 8, 2025. Written

comments may be emailed to Air-General.Comments@dnr.ga.gov (include “Rules for Inspection and Maintenance” in the subject line) 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, December 2, 2025. The meeting will be open to the public and held at Brasstown Valley Resort located at 6321 US-76, Young Harris, Georgia 30582.

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.