

TRAILER INSPECTION APPLICATION

T.C.A. 55-4-101 (L)

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION - INSPECTION REQUIRED

- A. Safety certification inspections are required by T.C.A. 55-4-101(L), and must be certified before operation upon Tennessee roads and highways.
- B. Trailers, semi-trailers and pole trailers domiciled in Tennessee that are home made, materially reconstructed or do not have an Vehicle Identification Number (VIN#) stamped on it and are presently required to be registered or titled under provisions of Section 55-4-101 are required to be safety inspected.
- C. Your local county clerk or the State of Tennessee, Title and Registration office will advise you if the vehicle is required to be titled or registered.
- D. If the trailer is required to be titled or registered and it is home made, materially reconstructed or doesn't have a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN#) stamped on it, then it is required to be inspected by the Tennessee Department of Safety.
- E. If the trailer is manufactured, transferred from another state and/or has a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN#) stamped on it, and is required to be titled or registered contact your county clerk.

II. SAFETY INSPECTION - APPLICATION AND PROCESSING

- A. Accurately complete the application form. Please do not omit information requested, doing so may cause processing delays.
- B. Mail application form and the required \$25.00 inspection fee for each requested inspection to:

Tennessee Department of Safety
Cashier's Office
1150 Foster Ave.
Nashville, TN 37249-1555
- C. A Tennessee State Trooper will contact you utilizing the information provided on the application form. A agreeable date and location of inspection will be established. Contact will be made by phone during normal business hours or by mail.
- D. The Trooper will inspect vehicle for compliance with T.C.A. Title 55, Chapter 9, T.C.A. 65-16-113 and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations.
- E. After completing the inspection, the Trooper will issue to the applicant an original and one copy of the Safety Inspection Certificate indicating the vehicle as certified or rejected.
- F. If marked "Certified" the applicant must present to the county clerk (in the county to be titled or registered) the original certificate to complete the process of registration.
- G. Certificate marked "Rejected" will be accompanied by an inspector's report indicating corrections needed for compliance.
- H. If rejected, applicant must complete another request form, send form and \$25.00 inspection fee to the Tennessee Department of Safety, as previously stated.

III. GENERAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

- A. For information regarding requirements of registration or processing of registration, contact your local county clerk.
- B. For information regarding processing of request of inspection, scheduling of inspection or the inspection verification process, contact the Tennessee Department of Safety, Commercial Vehicle Administration at 615-687-2326.
- C. Trailers required to be registered are required to be inspected. Trailers not required to be registered are not required to be inspected.
- D. You may obtain inspection application forms from your local county clerk's office or the Tennessee Department of Safety - Commercial Vehicle Administration at 615-687-2326.
- E. Do not send CASH. Please send check or money order for the required inspection fee to avoid delay in processing.
- F. Safety Inspectors cannot accept fees for inspections. Inspectors cannot schedule any inspection prior to completed processing as established herein.
- G. No collect calls regarding inspections will be accepted.
- H. Take the original copy of the Inspection Certificate to the county clerk's office and maintain a copy with the vehicle inspected.