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Bulletin: All Tag and Title Services

From: Business Licensing and Consumer Services

RE: Fraudulent Electronic Inspections

It has recently come to our attention that transactions are being submitted or processed involving fraudulent electronic inspection (e-Inspections) documents. This bulletin provides a best practice regarding the paper electronic safety inspection.

Currently there are 2 formats to present the Maryland Safety Inspection Certificate:

- Paper Certificate
- Paper Electronic Certificate – Control number begins with an “E” and signature is machine printed

To ensure compliance with this requirement and to help eliminate the possibility of receiving a fraudulent e-Inspection the MDOT MVA recommends the following verification with each transaction involving e-Inspections:

**RECOMMENDED BEST PRACTICE:**

(1) Go onto the Maryland State Police (MSP) website at [www.mdsp.maryland.gov](http://www.mdsp.maryland.gov)
(2) On the MSP homepage click onto “Maryland Vehicle Inspection Program”
(3) Click onto “e-Inspection Search and Station Locator”
(4) Enter the full or last 7 digits of Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), vehicles that pass the Maryland Safety Inspection will be displayed
(5) Copy and Print the e-Inspection page displaying the vehicle’s vin

A copy of the e-Inspection page should be submitted with the vehicle title record along with the paper electronic certificate.

These best practices ensure that you are compliant with the law, regulations, MDOT MVA rules, and will help ensure that there are no issues with your customer’s transaction.

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