Sorry, your vehicle's system is
NOT READY TO TEST

We are unable to complete testing of your vehicle because on-board emission monitors were "not ready" to complete the test.

What does "not ready" for testing mean?

Most of today's vehicles have built-in On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) system monitors that test various emissions parts and systems when the engine is running. When an OBD test tool is plugged into your vehicle's OBD system, the monitors send messages to the test equipment that say they are "ready" or "not ready" for testing. If a monitor does not have enough information to pass or fail the emissions system in the vehicle, a "not ready" or "incomplete" message is sent to the test equipment. This can cause your vehicle to fail emissions testing.

What causes the OBD monitors to be "not ready"?

A power loss to the vehicle's OBD system may cause the monitors to read "not ready". A power loss may occur when the vehicle's battery is replaced, or when repair work is done, and the vehicle's battery was disconnected. The monitors will change to a "not ready" status when warning codes like "check engine" are deleted from the system following repair.

What can be done to get my vehicle "ready" for testing?

If monitors display "not ready" when you bring the vehicle in for an OBD test, the vehicle monitors may simply have to be reset, which can be accomplished by performing a drive cycle specific to the vehicle. If your vehicle is not ready for testing, check with your service provider or the vehicle manufacturer to determine the correct drive cycle for your make and model vehicle. Simply driving the vehicle may not guarantee the monitors will be set to "ready."

If You Require an Extension

Please be sure to come back and test before the deadline. You can check your new date and request extensions anytime with your myMVA Online Services account:

mva.maryland.gov/online-services

For more info about your vehicle and the OBD test, please visit our website:
mva.maryland.gov/vehicles/Pages/veip.aspx