

# Texas A&M AgriLife Research Procedures

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### **PROCEDURE STATEMENT**

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The Texas Transportation Code, Title 7, Subtitle C, Chapter 548 administered by the Department of Public Safety promulgates the requirements of the 74th Legislature for compulsory inspections of vehicles and a compulsory emission testing program of vehicles in non-attainment areas.

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### **REASON FOR PROCEDURE**

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This procedure provides guidance to units for the inspection of vehicles to comply with the Texas Transportation Code.

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### **PROCEDURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

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#### 1.0 INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 Compulsory Inspection of Vehicles—Vehicles, i.e. motor vehicles, trailers, semi-trailers, pole trailers, and mobile homes, registered in Texas and operated on the highways of Texas will be inspected annually by a state-certified and supervised inspection station.
  - A. Trailers, semi-trailers, pole trailers, or mobile homes with a gross weight, including the load thereon, of 4,000 pounds or less are exempt.
  - B. The initial inspection period is two years for a passenger car or light truck that is sold in this state; has not been previously registered in this or another state; and, on the date of sale, is of the current or preceding model year.
- 1.2 Any person operating a Texas A&M AgriLife Research (AgriLife Research) vehicle on the highways of this state without possessing a valid inspection certificate is subject to conviction of a misdemeanor.

#### 2.0 UNIT HEAD RESPONSIBILITIES

Each unit head is responsible for the following:

- 2.1 Have all AgriLife Research-owned vehicles, as defined, inspected at a state certified and supervised inspection station.
- 2.2 Follow the inspection period set by the Department of Public Safety.
- 2.3 Pay fees for inspection and costs for required adjustments, corrections, or repairs from funds budgeted for maintenance.

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**RELATED, STATUTES, POLICIES, OR REQUIREMENTS**

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[System Policy 21.01](#), *Financial Policies, Systems, and Procedures*

[System Regulation 21.01.08](#), *Vehicle Fleet Management*

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**CONTACT OFFICE**

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For questions concerning this procedure, contact AgriLife Fleet Management at 979-845-6805.