A2 Suspension Reinstatement Instructions

Failure to Obtain an Inspection Certificate

Listed below are instructions for vehicle owners that have been denied registration or registration renewal due to an "A2" suspension / registration block for failure to obtain an inspection certificate (inspection sticker). The steps required may vary slightly depending on the situation, so please read carefully.

☐ **STEP 1 - OBTAIN A PASSING SAFETY INSPECTION**
The vehicle must be presented to a Rhode Island Official Inspection Station and PASS the SAFETY portion of a vehicle inspection. For a list of inspection station locations, please visit [http://www.dmv.ri.gov/inspections](http://www.dmv.ri.gov/inspections)

☐ **STEP 2 - OBTAIN CLEARANCE OF THE SUSPENSION**
Once the vehicle has been approved for safety, the vehicle owner must contact the Safety and Emissions Office at 401-462-5890 to request clearance of the suspension/registration block.

☐ **STEP 3 - REGISTER / RENEW THE VEHICLE**
Once the suspension/registration block has been removed
  - If unregistered, the vehicle owner may now register the vehicle
  - If expired, the vehicle owner may now renew the registration
  - If the plates have been seized by Law Enforcement, the vehicle owner may now return to the agency that seized the plates and request their return OR perform a plate change at any DMV location.

☐ **STEP 4 - FINALIZE THE INSPECTION AND OBTAIN THE INSPECTION STICKER**
Once the vehicle has been properly registered and the plates affixed to the vehicle, the final step is to return to the inspection station, (pass the emissions test if it did not pass emissions initially) and be issued an actual inspection sticker.

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**
You must obtain an inspection sticker within 20 days of the reinstatement date or a new suspension order will be re-issued.

Vehicle owners are entitled to one free re-inspection, at the same station, within 30 days of the initial inspection.