

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

BAR

Bureau of Automotive Repair

Advisory Group Meeting
Laws and Regulations Update
January 9, 2014

REGULATIONS

Regulation Packages In Development

- CAP Eligibility Requirements
- Ignition Interlock Devices
- Disciplinary Guidelines
- STAR Amendments
- BAR-97 Specification Update
- Advertising
- Brake Inspection Standards
- Windshield Replacement Standards
- Certified School and Instructors

CAP Eligibility Requirements

- Allow participation of vehicles with no more than 120 days of registration lapse in previous two years, and not expired more than 120 days past current registration due date
- Align RA and VR eligibility requirements to reduce consumer confusion, and allowing for easier transition from RA to VR
- Regulation is under review by DCA
- Adoption goal of July 1, 2014

Ignition Interlock Devices

- Conformance with existing law
- Define standards and responsibilities
- Update tool and equipment requirements
- Regulation is under review by BCSH
- Adoption goal of July 1, 2014

Disciplinary Guidelines

- Incorporate legislative and regulatory changes that have occurred since the last revision in May 1997
- Specify BAR's jurisdiction and enforcement over Smog Check station licenses
- Specify BAR's continued jurisdiction and enforcement over technicians when changing to new license types
- Define BAR's statutory authority to issue probationary registrations or licenses

Disciplinary Guidelines

- Regulation is under review by DCA
- Adoption goal of October 1, 2014

STAR Amendments

- Clarify STAR eligibility criteria by replacing labor terms
- Amends causes for invalidation
- Add causes for suspension
- Update application
- Regulation is in development by BAR
- Adoption goal of October 1, 2014

BAR-97 Specification Update

- Allow for voluntary modernization of BAR-97 test equipment by the manufacturer, as certified by BAR
- Update equipment specifications
- Regulation is in development by BAR
- Adoption goal of October 1, 2014

Advertising

- Would require ARD number to be included in all advertising
- Regulation is in development by BAR
- Adoption goal of October 1, 2014

Brake Inspection Standards

- Create minimum trade standards for the inspection of passenger vehicle braking systems
- Regulation is in development by BAR
- Workshop scheduled today at 1:30 p.m.
- Adoption goal of October 1, 2014

Windshield Replacement Standards

- Create minimum trade standards for the replacement of automotive windshields
- Regulation is in development by BAR
- Workshop scheduled today at 1:30 p.m.
- Adoption goal of October 1, 2014

Certified Schools and Instructors

- Refine certification criteria for schools and instructors
- Update training standards to reflect current processes
- Introduce certification for non-technical training
- Regulation is in development by BAR
- Adoption goal of January 1, 2015

LEGISLATION

Senate Bill 202 (Galgiani)

- Introduced in 2013 (2-year bill)
- Deletes repairing and changing tires from the list of activities excluded from the definition of automotive repair.
- With Assembly Appropriations Committee

Senate Bill 346 (Kehoe)

- Chapter 307, Statutes of 2010
- Added Article 13.5, Motor Vehicle Brake Friction Materials, to Chapter 6.5 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code
- Beginning January 1, 2014, it becomes unlawful to sell brake friction materials not meeting specific material formulation standards except for the purpose of deleting existing in-state inventories
- DTSC presentation at today's BAG meeting

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