

NEW YORK

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CURRENT PROGRAMS

- Date Started:** NYVIP: 2004, Heavy Duty Diesel I/M: 1999, New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission: 2003. (Note: the former NYTEST I/M program ended on December 31, 2010)
- EPA Designation:** OTR low enhanced (53 'Upstate' counties), High Enhanced (9 county NYMA)
- Program Type:** Decentralized test and repair: NYVIP, HDDV I/M Centralized test-only: NYC TLC (6 lanes)
- Program Areas:** **NYMA:** the five boroughs of New York City, Nassau, Suffolk, Rockland and Westchester
'Upstate' : remaining 53 counties of NYS
NYVIP is statewide.
HDDV I/M is limited to NYMA, but there is also an on-road HDD component (visible smoke) statewide.
- Enforcement Method:** NYVIP: Registration denial and sticker-based enforcement
HDDV I/M: sticker-based enforcement (NYMA) and statewide roadside.

New York Vehicle Inspection Program (NYVIP)

NYVIP is a statewide program that was initially phased into the Upstate I/M area during 2004 and later expanded into NYMA in 2005. NYVIP features on-board diagnostic ([OBD II](#)) and low-enhanced inspections.

Heavy Duty Diesel Vehicle Program (HDDV)

Heavy duty diesel vehicles (HDDVs) are those on-road diesel-powered vehicles greater than 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR). HDDVs registered within NYMA are required to have an annual emissions inspection, which includes a tailpipe opacity test. HDDVs operating on NYS public roadway are also subject to roadside emissions inspection.

Former New York Transient Emission Short Test (NYTEST) Program

The former tailpipe-based NYTEST I/M program operated within NYMA from 1998 to 2010. Most vehicles previously inspected through NYTEST are now being inspected through the NYVIP equipment.

Test Frequency

Both NYVIP and HDDV I/M programs require annual Safety inspections, and at change of vehicle ownership.

New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC)

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission operates a centralized test-only OBDII inspection facility in Queens. Applicable yellow medallion taxi cabs and for-hire vehicles are required to receive safety/emissions inspections three times a year.

Annual Emissions Testing Exemptions

- a) Electric powered vehicles, motorcycles, vehicles with historic and farm registrations;
- b) Diesel-powered vehicles $\geq 8,501$ lbs GVWR registered Upstate;
- c) Vehicles older than 25 model years old (For example, during calendar year 2012, vehicles model year 1987 and older are exempt from emissions testing).
- d) Vehicles less than 2 model years old. For example, during calendar year 2012, model years 2011 and 2012 are exempt from emissions testing. Note that most vehicles exempt from emissions testing are still subject to the annual safety inspection requirements.

Emissions Test Types (NYMA)

NYVIP OBD II:

Non-diesel vehicles model year 1996 and newer and $\leq 8,500$ lbs GVWR.

Diesel vehicles model year 1997 and newer and $\leq 8,500$ lbs GVWR.
(Started 7/1/12)

NYVIP Low Enhanced: Gas cap presence and Anti-tampering visual checks for:

Non-exempt vehicles, 25 model years old to Model Year 1995, up to 18,000 lbs. GVWR.

Non-exempt vehicles, model year 1996 and newer, between 8,501 pounds 18,000 pounds GVWR.

NYC TLC OBDII:

Non-diesel vehicles model year 1996 and newer and $\leq 8,500$ lbs GVWR.

Heavy-Duty Diesel Vehicle I/M Opacity Test: Diesel-powered vehicles $> 8,500$ lbs.

Emissions Test Types (Upstate)

NYVIP OBD II:

Non-diesel vehicles model year 1996 and newer and $\leq 8,500$ lbs GVWR.

Diesel vehicles model year 1997 and newer and $\leq 8,500$ lbs GVWR.
(Started 7/1/12)

NYVIP Low Enhanced: Gas cap presence and anti-tampering visual checks for:

Non-exempt vehicles, 25 model years old to Model Year 1995, up to 18,000 lbs. GVWR.

Non-exempt vehicles, model year 1996 and newer, between 8,501 pounds to 18,000 pounds GVWR. Test Fees (do not include safety inspection fees)

NYMA:

NYVIP OBD II - \$27.00

NYVIP low enhanced - \$11.00

Heavy-duty Diesel - \$25.00

UPSTATE:

NYVIP OBD II - \$11.00

NYVIP low enhanced - \$11.00

Max Not Ready Flags:

EPA Guidance

Annual Test Volume:

All vehicles +/- 10,000,000

Emissions +/- 7,000,000

of Decentralized Stations:

All stations +/- 11,000

Contracted Services:

SGS Testcom, Inc. is the NYVIP program manager. They provide inspection data management, and equipment to NYVIP stations.

Re-test Procedure:

Additional re-inspection fees may apply to vehicles that fail. These fees vary depending on the re-inspection requirements.

Enforcement Type:

New York has adopted both on-road enforcement (inspection stickers) and registration-based denial. HDDVs operating on public roadways are subject to a roadside emissions inspection by certified NYSDEC officials. HDDVs found in violation are subject to penalties as noted in 6 NYCRR Subpart 217-5.

Waivers

NYVIP allows for a repair expenditure waiver of the OBDII emissions inspection for failing vehicles. Safety portion of inspection for the vehicle must pass. Documented and verified emissions related costs must exceed \$450.00 for qualifying repairs following the initial failed inspection.