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CURRENT PROGRAM

Date Started: May 1998

EPA Designation: Enhanced

Program Type: Decentralized test and repair

Program Areas: Northern Virginia

(**Counties:** Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William and Stafford
Cities: Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park)

Enforcement Method: Registration denial

Model Years: Up to 24 years old

Vehicle Types: LDGV, LDGT, HDGV, LDDV

Exempt Vehicles: First 2 model years, motorcycles, registered antiques, fire and rescue, equipment powered exclusively by clean fuels, diesels (except 1997+ LDDV with OBD)

Test Type: Pre-1981, 8,501-10,000 GVWR or AWD, FT4WD, or non-disengageable traction control = TSI;
1981 - 1995 = ASM; 1996 & newer OBDII (some will also get TSI or ASM).
1997 & newer LDDV OBDII

Non-OBD Testable: ASM or TSI

Cut Points: Variable

OBD: Implemented July 2005

Max Not Ready Flags: 2 to model year 2000 – 1 thereafter, but have the capability of exempting specific monitors from the readiness determination, as well as increasing the total number of not ready allowable and exempting OBD test components including the entire OBD test, on a per lookup table vehicle line basis.

Visual Checks	Catalyst, Air Injection System, EGR, PCV, Evap canister, Thermostatic air cleaner system
Evaporative System Test:	Gas cap
Safety Test:	Preliminary safety check. Separate safety inspection program.
Test Frequency:	Biennial
Annual Test Volume	825,000 initial tests; 935,000 including retests
Decentralized Bays:	Approximately 510
Test Fee:	\$28 max. One free re-test
Re-test Procedures:	First retest free if within 14 days. Catalyst monitor must be ready if initial test had a catalyst related DTC.
Contracted Services:	Testcom awarded new 3-yr contract 3Q 2009
Comments:	

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