



COVID- 19 Technical Inspection Protocol and Waiver of Liability for COVID-19 Updated August 1, 2022

This COVID- 19 Technical Inspection Protocol and Waiver of Liability is for technical inspections of vehicles as related to Canadian Motor Vehicle Arbitration Plan (“CAMVAP”) operations.

CAMVAP is taking all reasonable steps to provide a safe environment for technical inspections to be conducted. CAMVAP accepts no liability or responsibility with respect to any possible COVID-19 infection that you believe may have occurred through your attendance at this in-person hearing.

If any of the parties scheduled to attend a technical inspection has, or believes that he or she might have COVID-19 or COVID-19 symptoms (not related to other pre-existing conditions), or are otherwise required to self-isolate in accordance with Provincial or Territorial health directions, on the day prior to the technical inspection, you must contact the Provincial Administrator so that the technical inspection can be rescheduled. If you are unsure about having contracted COVID-19 use of a self-administered Rapid Antigen Test is recommended, however all Provincial and Territorial health directions regarding self-isolation must be followed.

The following are known COVID-19 symptoms.

- Fever and/or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Decrease or loss of taste or smell
- Two or more of:
 - Headaches
 - Sore throat
 - Extreme fatigue
 - Unexplained muscle aches/joint pain
 - Nausea/vomiting, diarrhea or abdominal pain (not related to pre-existing conditions)
 - Runny nose or nasal congestion without other known cause.

Prior to Inspection of the Vehicle

Face masks or face coverings are optional when initially meeting with the technical inspector. Parties including the technical inspector will make their own decisions with respect to the wearing of a mask or face covering.

Where possible, meeting with the technical inspector should be done outside with two metre physical distancing. If it is done inside a building, then two metre physical distancing should still be maintained.

At the Inspection of the Vehicle

This Protocol for the technical inspection requires that the parties and the technical inspector do the following with respect to the inspection of the consumer’s vehicle:

- In order to facilitate sanitizing the vehicle, the person delivering the vehicle shall ensure that it is entirely free of loose objects or clutter, and that it is delivered in clean condition.

- **The technical inspector and all persons in attendance should wear a mask or face covering, however doing so is optional. Staff from the facility being used to conduct the inspection will maintain proper procedures in accordance with the instructions for the facility.**
- When preparing for the technical inspection, direct hand-off of keys is not permitted. Keys shall be set on a surface and picked up by the inspector from that surface.
- The technical inspection must adhere to the applicable health authority guidelines published by the province or territory's respective public health officials.
- If there is more than one party at the inspection, it is each party's responsibility to maintain proper physical separation.
- Prior to the technical inspection being conducted, the technical inspector shall be responsible for the sanitization in accordance with the steps setout below.
 - Disinfection of the vehicle, which shall be conducted before the inspection begins.
 - Sanitization of the vehicle may be done by the technical inspector or staff from the facility where the technical inspection is to be conducted.
 - Prior to any interior inspection or test drive, the inspector or staff from the facility conducting the inspection shall open all vehicle doors and leave them open for a reasonable period of time while the vehicle is outdoors in order to allow for the thorough ventilation of the vehicle.
- **The Consumer and the manufacturer may, at the technical inspector's discretion, ride along and participate in the technical inspection, including driving the vehicle.**
- **During the in-vehicle component of the technical inspection, all participants are to be masked. The technical inspector will have masks available. If any party refuses to wear a mask or face covering, that party cannot participate in the ride along for the technical inspection.**
- On the conclusion of the inspection, the inspector or the facility conducting the inspection must sanitize and disinfect any areas of the vehicle that were interacted with during the inspection using the post- technical inspection sanitization procedures listed under the next heading.

Pre and Post-technical inspection sanitization requirements

The technical inspector or facility at which the inspection is being conducted must sanitize the following before and after the inspection:

- The consumer's key and key fob
- The steering wheel and column
- The wiper and indicator levers
- The centre consoles
- Cup holders and compartments
- Seat belts, seat adjusters, seat surfaces and seat pockets
- Dashboard and touchscreens
- Instrument/accessory panels
- Gear shift selector/dial
- Door interiors and pockets
- Door Handles (interior and exterior)
- Mirrors
- Any other frequently touched items

These requirements for pre- and post-inspection sanitization are minimum requirements only and are subject to any additional reasonable requirements set by the inspector.