



# TAX & TAG TIPS

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## Failed Vehicle Emission Inspection? What to Do

**Model years 2000-2021 must have a passing emission test to register or renew in 2024**

It's wise to get your vehicle inspected four to six weeks before your registration renewal date. This will allow you to have sufficient time to address any unforeseen issues that might arise with your vehicle.

However, even when done early, your vehicle might fail an emission test. If that happens, follow these steps to get your vehicle repaired and retested.

- Check for warranties, recalls, and technical service bulletins regarding the emission control system for your vehicle. This step could save you time and money.
- Get a diagnostic performed on the vehicle to determine what emission repairs are needed.
- Have the vehicle repaired. Go to the *RepairWatch Public Report*, available at [Cleanairforce.com/common/repairwatch](https://CleanAirForce.com/common/repairwatch) for a list of repair facilities.
- Ask the mechanic to complete the Emissions Repair Form after the repairs are finished.
- Take the completed Emissions Repair Form back to the inspection station you used for a free retest (within 30 days of the original test date).



If it's close to your registration due date (within 10 days), you might qualify for a 30-day temporary registration. The temporary registration will give you more time to complete the repairs, retest, and get your registration renewed. You want to avoid the risk of driving with an expired registration. The vehicle must have liability insurance and all other taxes, penalties, or fees paid before an extension can be granted. Staff at our tag offices can guide you through the extension process. Make sure you have your renewal notice and failed emission test on hand.

Understanding this process will give you the confidence to resolve a failed emission inspection and get safely back on the road. Visit [CleanAirForce.com](https://CleanAirForce.com) for testing locations and other emission information.

**Best regards,**



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# GET YOUR DECAL INSTANTLY AT A KIOSK

Kiosks are a convenient way to renew your tag. All you need is your driver's license and debit or credit card to get your decal instantly. Convenience fees apply and one fee covers up to 10 vehicles. You can renew your vehicle up to 60 days before your birthday. Kiosks are located across the county and metro area. Many are located in Kroger stores and there is also a kiosk at the Centerville Publix in Snellville. To find one near you, visit [www.GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com](http://www.GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com).



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With all of the e-services available online for motor vehicles, you can do everything except title work from the comfort of any Internet-connected device. Here are the most popular ways people are helping themselves at [eservices.drives.ga.gov](http://eservices.drives.ga.gov)

- 1. Duplicate Registration** – receive by email, print.
- 2. Cancel Registration** – find your vehicle, submit, done.
- 3. Renew Tags** – receive decal within 5-10 days; convenience fee applies.
- 4. Pay Insurance Fines** – identify your vehicle and yourself, pay.
- 5. Prestige License Plate Inquiry** – discover what's available.

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