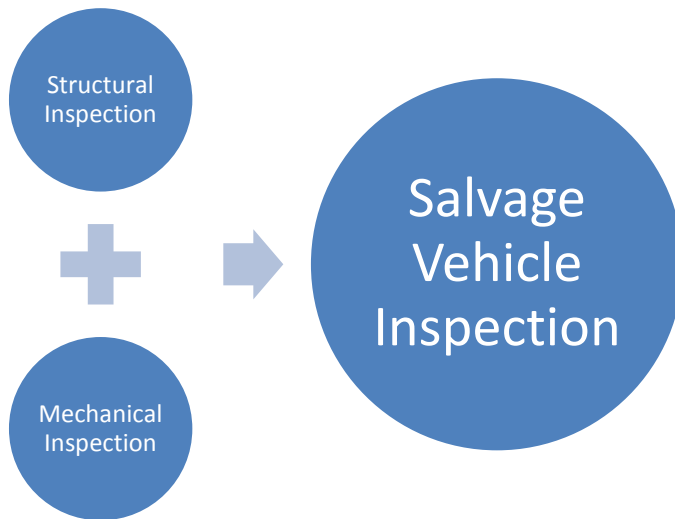


Vehicle Inspection Program Bulletin

Salvage Inspections on Commercial Trucks and Buses

The Vehicle Inspection Program has changed the way commercial trucks and buses are inspected in the Salvage Vehicle Inspection Program. Effective July 29, 2013 the mechanical portion of a Salvage Vehicle Inspection for trucks, commercial buses, school buses and motor coaches will be the same as a Commercial Vehicle Inspection.



Facilities licensed to complete Salvage Vehicle Inspections on trucks, commercial buses, school buses and motor coaches will want to ensure they are also licenced in the 'Commercial' program **or** have a service agreement with a commercial inspection facility for those vehicle types. Technicians that are completing the mechanical portion of the salvage inspection on these four vehicle types must be authorized to inspect the applicable vehicle type. Technicians will need to ensure they are following the guidelines outlined in the Commercial Vehicle Inspection Manual for the mechanical portion of the salvage inspection, when they are inspecting trucks, commercial buses, school buses or motor coaches.

Vehicle Definitions	
<b>Truck</b>	A truck style motor vehicle with 2 or more axles and/or is equipped with air brakes, designed primarily for the transportation of cargo and/or for drawing a trailer transporting cargo.
<b>Commercial Bus</b>	A vehicle having a designated seating capacity of more than 10 including the driver, and is not a School Bus or Motor Coach.
<b>School Bus</b>	A bus that is designed and equipped primarily to transport students to and from school.
<b>Motor Coach</b>	A commercial bus of monocoque design manufactured with under-floor baggage storage.

Trucks and buses that pass a Salvage Vehicle Inspection should be issued:

- A Salvage Vehicle Inspection Certificate and,
- A Commercial Vehicle Inspection Certificate & Decal and,
- A Record of Inspection.

Both the structural and mechanical technician must sign the Salvage Vehicle inspection Certificate and Record of Inspection. Only the mechanical technician needs to sign the Commercial Vehicle Inspection Certificate. The mechanical technician **must** be the one that affixes the commercial decal to the vehicle.

**NOTE** – Facilities with service agreements for the mechanical portion of the Salvage Vehicle Inspection are still required to have both technicians sign the salvage certificate and have the mechanical technician affix the decal.

Questions regarding Salvage Vehicle Inspections can be directed to [vehicle.safety@gov.ab.ca](mailto:vehicle.safety@gov.ab.ca) or 780-427-8901, toll free within Alberta by first dialing 310-0000.