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From: Commanding General
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Subj: CONTINUING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE MEASURES FOR STATE VEHICLE INSPECTION
AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAMS

Ref: (a) 42 U.S.C. § 7418(d)
(b) MCO 5580.2B w/Ch 2
(c) MARADMIN 245/16
(d) Department of Consumer Affairs, Bureau of Automotive Repair, Smog
Check Reference Guide 2019

1. Situation. The Federal government authorizes states to enforce a Federal Air Pollution Law in accordance with reference (a), aboard military installations. This Federal law mandates that military installations require permanent personnel who operate a privately owned vehicle (POV) on installation property to furnish proof of compliance with the respective State's Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program (Smog Check Program). Permanent personnel aboard the Combat Center must present proof of compliance with the California Smog Check Program to the Pass and Identification (ID) Office in order to obtain a required vehicle decal and register their POV in the Department of Navy's Consolidated Law Enforcement Operations Center System. Although the United States Marine Corps (USMC) eliminated the Vehicle Decal Program in 2016, the USMC requirement for permanent personnel to register their POV with Pass and ID and furnish proof of State Smog Check Program compliance remains in accordance with Federal law.

2. Mission. Ensure continued compliance with references (a) through (c), by requiring commanders of applicable organizations to update local directives and educate personnel regarding State Smog Check Program requirements.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. Reinforce mandatory policy and procedures associated with State Smog Check Programs and Pass and ID vehicle registration requirements in order to affirm our commitment to Federal and state laws protecting our air resources.

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(2) Concept of Operations. Commanders of applicable organizations and permanent personnel shall execute this bulletin in accordance with the State Smog Check Program where they are located or assigned. As of 1 October 2020 all permanent personnel who, as required, register a vehicle aboard the Combat Center will be required to furnish proof of California State Smog Check program compliance. Vehicles subject to this requirement are identified in paragraph 3.a.(2)(b).

(a) Permanent Personnel. Permanent personnel are civilians, dependents and Service Members employed with or assigned to an applicable organization for 60 or more calendar days per year.

(b) California Smog Check Program. A POV already registered in California is presumed compliant with the California Smog Check Program. A POV registered in another state produced after 1975 and more than eight years old requires a passing California Smog Check inspection. For example, a 2012 model-year POV registered in another state is presently required to obtain a passing California Smog Check Inspection Report. A 2013 model-year vehicle, however, remains exempt until 2021. See reference (d) for additional guidance.

b. Subordinate Element Missions

(1) Commanding Officers, Assistant Chiefs of Staff, Deputy Directors, Division Directors, Special Staff Officers, and Officers-in-Charge. Before the cancellation of this Bulletin:

(a) Update local Orders, holiday accident reduction programs, and check-in procedures to include enforceable requirements for permanent personnel who register a vehicle on or after 1 October 2020 to comply with the State Smog Check Program.

(b) Educate permanent personnel who register a vehicle on or after 1 October 2020 on the requirement to register POVs with Pass and ID and show proof of State Smog Check Program compliance. Personnel shall be informed of potential judicial, administrative, and/or Base Magistrate enforcement action.

(c) Verify that permanent personnel who register a vehicle on or after 1 October 2020 comply with State Smog Check Program requirements and register their POVs with Pass and ID.

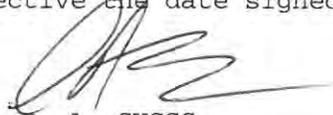
(2) Provost Marshal's Office. Law enforcement personnel shall continue to regularly monitor Smog Check Program compliance and POV registration requirements during routine traffic stops and random POV inspections.

4. Administration and Logistics. Directives issued by this Headquarters are published and distributed electronically. Electronic versions of Combat Center bulletins can be found at <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff-Offices/Adjutant-Office/Bulletins/>.

5. Command and Signal

a. Command. This bulletin is applicable to active duty, reserve, civilian personnel, contractors, and family members working and living aboard the Combat Center.

b. Signal. This Bulletin is effective the date signed.



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