

Having your car inspected? New from this summer!

On the 1 July, official vehicle inspection is being opened up to competition. What does this mean? How will it affect you, the vehicle owner?

Since the middle of the 1960s, Sweden has had a system of official vehicle inspection as part of our endeavours to increase road safety. There has been a monopoly on the right to perform this inspection, but from 1 July 2010, the market will be opened up to competition.

What does the change mean for you, the owner of the vehicle?

There will be no difference when it comes to the rules for inspections: you will still be obliged to have your car inspected as before. What is new is that you will now be able to decide yourself which company will perform the inspection service.

Will I still receive an invitation to an inspection in the future?

Just like before, you will be personally responsible for your vehicle being inspected at the right time. Previously, the Swedish Motor Vehicle Inspection Company sent out a proposed date for vehicle tests - now you will probably receive offers from several different inspection companies. Choose the one that suits you! But don't forget that you should check during which period your vehicle is due for an inspection and ensure that you have booked a time with an inspection company.

Which inspection companies will be on the market?

From 1 July, you can go onto www.swedac.se to see which inspection companies you can contact. Companies that will work in the area of inspections must be approved by the Swedish Board for Accreditation and Conformity Assessment, Swedac. The Swedish Transport Agency (Transportstyrelsen) and Swedac will continue to monitor the companies and ensure that rules are adhered to and quality maintained.

If you would like to find out more

Go to www.transportstyrelsen.se to find out more. There, you can search for details of your vehicle and see during which period it is to be inspected. You can find information on approved inspection companies at www.swedac.se.

You can obtain information from the Swedish Transport Agency by calling: +46 (0)771-25 25 25
Swedac's customer services: +46 (0)771-99 09 00 – information about accreditation of inspection companies.



0771-25 25 25 The Swedish Transport Agency's customer service line

Here, you can obtain information about the changes to vehicle inspection.

You can also perform the following self-service tasks via the customer service line:

- order a certificate of registration
- order number plates
- register or deregister your vehicle
- request information about a vehicle via fax.



Send a text to 72 503

Here, you can find information about

- the owner of a vehicle
(Send the registration number to 72 503, e.g. MLB318)
- the inspection details for a vehicle
(Send BES.registration number to 72 503, e.g. BES.MLB318)

This service is subject to a charge and costs SEK 3.00 per text message (the service provider's charge is additional).