



Introduction:

This bulletin provides guidance to Type 2 and 3 Vehicle Examiners in relation to regulatory amendments that have changed the inspection intervals for Taxis, effective from the 1st October 2021.

Background:

Currently, all Taxis require an initial inspection and then 6 monthly inspections once they are 12 months old. A recent review of *Driver Licensing and Vehicle Registration Regulations 2021* resulted in amendments to the inspection intervals applicable to Taxis.

New Taxi Inspection Intervals:

Effective from 1 October 2021, all Taxis will require:

- An initial AIS SPV inspection prior to first use as a Taxi.
- After the initial inspection, 12 monthly AIS SPV inspection intervals apply.
- The Department of State Growth will write to registered operators of Taxis about when their Taxi is due for its next inspection.
- The new intervals apply to all Taxi types, including Metro, Non-metro, Owner operated and Wheelchair Accessible Taxis.

Vehicle examiner Requirements:

Based on the above information, if a Taxi is presented for an initial or periodic SPV inspection, on or after 1 October 2021, Vehicle Examiners are to apply 12 monthly inspection intervals to the Taxi. These inspection intervals are to be reflected on the inspection report and the SPV label affixed to the vehicle at the time the vehicle passes inspection.

These requirements will be reflected in the next edition of the LVIM and AIS procedure Manual.

Questions?

Any further questions regarding this special bulletin should be directed to AIS Compliance on 03 6166 3271 or email ais@stategrowth.tas.gov.au