

# Repair-Only Station Requirements Checklist

The purpose of this checklist is to help licensees prepare for a station inspection. All station requirements should be met before the station contacts their local Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) field office for an appointment. The station owner/manager, inspector, and/or repair technicians must be present during the inspection. Please allow up to two hours for the BAR inspection. Re-inspections will result in station licensure delays.

Stations must possess all required equipment, tools, and reference materials set forth in the Smog Check Manual for the type of vehicles being inspected. All equipment shall be on the premises, calibrated, and in working order. For more information, visit [www.bar.ca.gov](http://www.bar.ca.gov).

<b>Station Licenses and Signs</b> (Licenses and signs shall be posted in a conspicuous area frequented by consumers)
Valid automotive repair dealer registration.
Official automotive repair dealer sign.
Valid Smog Check repair technician license.
Official Smog Check repair-only sign.
Notice to motorist's sign (cost limit).
<b>Station Equipment</b>
Diagnostic equipment and repair tools that are capable of diagnosing and repairing engine ignition systems, fuel systems, emission control systems, computer engine control systems, and other related components for each vehicle type that the station diagnoses and repairs. The equipment or repair tools may be separate units or part of a multi-functional unit.
Ignition analyzer/oscilloscope that displays at least: primary ignition system voltage and coil oscillations and firing voltage and spark duration of the secondary ignition system. For distributor equipped vehicles, the device shall display this information for all cylinders at the same time. (Not required at diesel only repair stations.)
Ignition timing light with advance feature.
Hand vacuum pump and gauge.
Compression tester.
Tachometer/dwell meter. (Not required at diesel only repair stations.)
Fuel pressure gauge capable of measuring the higher pressures of fuel-injected vehicles.
Propane enrichment kit CCR. (Not required at diesel only repair stations.)
Ammeter capable of measuring amps and milliamps.
High impedance digital volt/ohmmeter.
Hand tools necessary to adjust, maintain, and repair vehicular ignition, fuel delivery, emission control systems.
A device capable of retrieving vehicle computer trouble codes, with its operating instruction. This device shall display and store live streaming OBD data and shall have bi-directional capabilities. Hardware and software in the device shall be updated to the current available calendar year.
Tire pressure gauge.
Device capable of accessing the BAR website for the purpose of entering repair data.

<b>Station Reference Material and Records</b>
Diagnostic and repair information for all vehicles being tested and repaired.
Most current available Emission Control System (ECS) application guides.
Most current Smog Check Manual and Reference Guide.
Technical service bulletins and manufacturer recall notices.
Vacuum routing and electronic component location guides.

<b>Other Requirements</b>
Approved work area.
A licensed Smog Check repair technician must be available during all hours the station is open for the business of repairing vehicles.
Required maintenance of records.

Disclaimer: This checklist is for guidance only. Licensees are responsible for complying with the Automotive Repair Act and related laws and regulations. To review these requirements, visit [www.bar.ca.gov](http://www.bar.ca.gov).