

# Your car needs inspection in '82

By TOM LONERGAN

Unless you own a new car, Michigan license plates for 1982 may cost you at least \$10 more.

The reason: a federally-mandated car pollution inspection program.

If your car's exhaust exceeds emission guidelines, the new law may mean another \$50 repair bill before the Michigan Secretary of State's office will re-register your car.

THE ADDITIONAL fees are part of a Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program (I/M) approved by the Michigan Legislature in April. Fees for license plates are based on a vehicle's weight.

The program — limited to residents of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw counties — is required by the Federal Clean Air Act as one way of reducing auto-related pollution. Ozone levels (the measurement of auto-related smog) in southeast Michigan are not expected to meet federal guidelines set for the end of 1982.

The federal government required state approval of the I/M program before it would approve any air quality permits for industrial expansion in southeast Michigan. If the state had failed to pass an I/M program, the new General Motors plant in Orion Township and Volkswagen of America's plant in Sterling Heights might have been endangered.

THERE WERE few objectors to the proposed rules governing the new inspection program at a Secretary of State-sponsored public hearing in Detroit last week.

A spokesman for the Ford Motor Co. objected to I/M programs in general. Michael J. Schwarz, a Ford engineer, said the company believes tighter con-

trols over tampering with car pollution equipment would reduce exhaust emission levels as much as an inspection program.

"The most common causes of emission failures observed on in-use vehicles are tampering and maladjustment," Schwarz said.

Charles E. Shipley, of Farmington Hills, executive director of the Service Station Dealers Association of Michigan, asked that repair garages, which will inspect and repair cars under the program, not be flooded with unnecessary paperwork.

"What we do not need is a lot of unnecessary rules . . . to make the program unmanageable," said Shipley.

Privately owned garages, licensed by the state, will conduct the emissions tests. The state will provide the garages with compliance forms to issue when a vehicle has met the program guidelines.

Vehicle exhaust will be tested for release of hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide.

ALL VEHICLES will be required to get a certificate showing compliance with the new program except those made before 1972 and those with either diesel or electric powered engines. Motorcycles and mopeds are also exempt from the program.

Also exempt are those who have bought a new car 12 months prior to renewing registration and low-income car owners. The low-income exemption follows the same guidelines as the federal Medicaid program.

The inspection fee will be "no more than \$10," said Rodger James, director of the state Dealer Licensing Division. If a car needs a tune-up or other repairs to meet emission guidelines, those repairs are not to exceed \$50, James said.

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