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CC: SFO Ground Transportation Unit   
DATE: October 1, 2024  
**SUBJECT: Suspension of Brake Certificate Requirement §1113(s)(1)(B)**

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As of September 27, 2024, the California Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) ended the brake and lamp inspection programs.

Pursuant to §1113(s)(1)(B), when being inspected, each taxi must have a “[v]alid and current Brake Certificate issued by an official inspection station certified by the State of California within 60 days prior to inspection.” **Given that brake certificates are no longer issued by BAR, enforcement of §1113(s)(1)(B) is suspended until further notice.**

If you have any questions, please call Taxi Services at 415.701.4400.

Attachment: 9.27.24 BAR email

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Today, September 27, 2024, marks the official end of the brake and lamp inspection programs. The sunset of these programs completes the Bureau of Automotive Repair's (BAR) phased implementation of the [Vehicle Safety Systems Inspection \(VSSI\) Program](#) established by Assembly Bill 471 (Low, Chapter 372, Statutes of 2021). Inspections under the new VSSI Program began statewide on July 8.

**Important information for licensees:**

- **Licenses:** Brake and lamp station and adjuster licenses are no longer valid after today, September 27. To apply for a vehicle safety systems license, review the [steps to get licensed](#) at [www.bar.ca.gov/safety](http://www.bar.ca.gov/safety).
- **Certificates:** Contact [BARenforcement@dca.ca.gov](mailto:BARenforcement@dca.ca.gov) to request a refund for unused brake and lamp certificates.

For more information, visit [www.bar.ca.gov/safety](http://www.bar.ca.gov/safety).

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