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Your vehicle has just failed the State of Connecticut Emissions Test.

You have 60 days to complete any repairs and return for a free retest. If you go beyond the 60 days, there will be a charge for the retest.

Failure Scenarios

- ❑ **Codes:** Your vehicle failed for codes in the on board computer system. The codes indicate the area where the car's computer is detecting an emissions problem. The problem needs to be fixed and the car re-tested within 60 days.
- ❑ **Monitors:** Your vehicle has failed for emissions monitors not being ready. This can happen for a variety of reasons. The two most common causes for this failure are:
 - The vehicle has had repairs done to it or codes erased using a scanner.
 - The vehicle has had a dead battery or the battery unhooked.

In these instances the car needs to be driven in order for the computer to "set" the monitors. The following is a generic **drive cycle** that will set most monitors:

Drive the vehicle on the highway for about 5 minutes on two different days. You should have more than ½ tank of gas when driving. In some cases it will require more driving to set the monitors. If during these drives the check engine light comes on it indicates a fault that needs repairing.

- ❑ **Inoperative MIL:** The vehicle has an inoperative check engine light. The State of Connecticut requires this bulb to be functional as it is how the car's computer alerts you to an emissions related problem. The bulb must be repaired.
- ❑ **Aborted Retest:** On a retest a vehicle's test will be aborted if enough monitors are not "set" to ready. See the **drive cycle** information in the Monitors section above.

If your retest was free, the abort does not use your free retest. As long as you return during the original 60 day window, the retest will still be free.

If the retest was paid, your \$20.00 fee will be returned. An aborted test does not count for any requirements of the testing program. It is a turn away document stating your car was not ready for testing.

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