

California Vehicle Inspection System (Cal-VIS) update

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Overview

- Cal-VIS is the information technology solution that supports all aspects of the Smog Check and Vehicle Safety Systems Inspection (VSSI) Programs.
- Cal-VIS includes data centers, hardware, software, and network connectivity.
- Cal-VIS requires continuous monitoring, patching, security updates, and changes to support new business needs.

2025 Quarter 3 accomplishments

25.3 release

- Database changes in preparation for the referee noise inspection software release
- Removed ability for station owners and managers to inactivate their own Cal-VIS account
- Added California Air Resources Board Clean Truck Check language to Smog Check Vehicle Inspection Report

2025 Quarter 4 accomplishments

25.4 release

- Supports referee inspection of vehicles with excessive exhaust noise citations
- Noise inspection results added to BAR's inspection history page

25.4.1 release

- Rebrands OBD Inspection System to Cal-VIS
- BAR-certified Data Acquisition Device (DAD) page link added to self diagnostics screen
- Updates for DAD 2.0 certification (sandbox and vendor test environments only)

25.4.2 release

- Corrects referee noise inspection certificate purchase bug

2026 Quarter 1 accomplishments

26.1 release

- Platform software updates
- Improved VSSI recall lookup process

2026 Quarter 2 plans

26.2 release

- Improve Vehicle Identification Number decode functionality
- Access to noise inspection data for courts to sign-off citations
- Expand DAD 2.0 firmware version control
- Improve vehicle safety recall logic

Begin DAD 2.0 certification process

Release Request For Information for contracted inspection network for pre-OBDII vehicles

2026 Quarter 3 plans

26.3 release

- Platform software updates
- Updated drivers for DAD 1.0, DAD 2.0, and biometric devices
- This release will not run on 32-bit Windows operating systems; all stations must use a 64-bit operating system
 - Windows 10 with extended support, or
 - Windows 11

Thank you

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