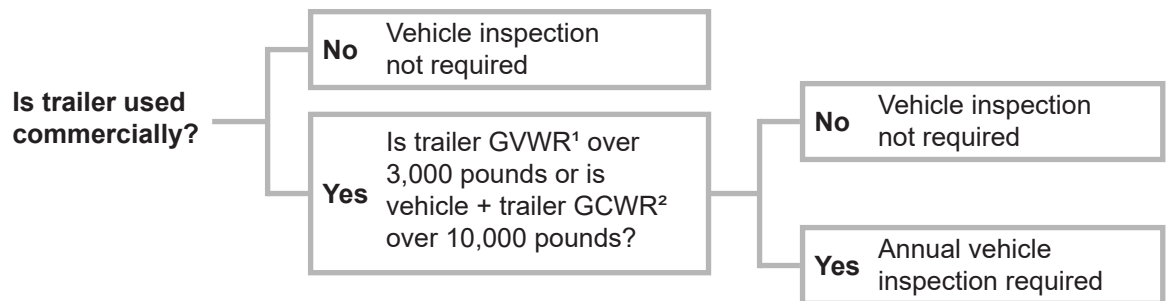


Does my trailer need a vehicle inspection?

When does my trailer need inspection?

Massachusetts-registered trailers used only for recreational purposes do not require inspection.



Commercial Trailer VIN Information



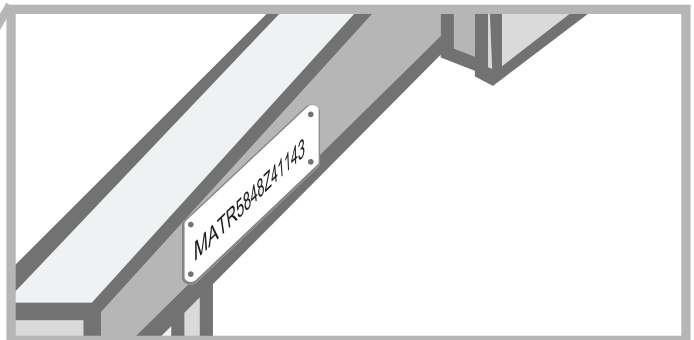
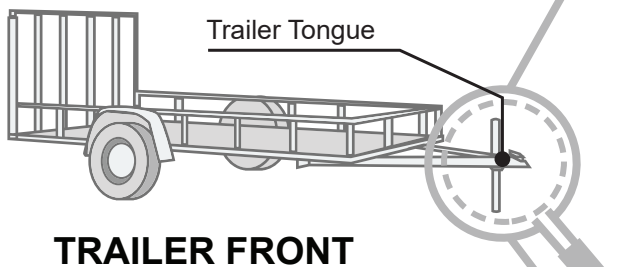
Massachusetts-registered trailers used in commerce must have an annual Massachusetts Commercial Motor Vehicle inspection if:

- Trailer has a GVWR of more than 3,000 pounds, or
- Commercial motor vehicle/trailer combination has a GCWR of more than 10,000 pounds.
 - Trailers that require inspection need a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) attached to the tongue of the trailer.
 - Trailers with a GVWR of 3,001 or more are required to have a VIN assigned by the manufacturer or a Massachusetts-assigned VIN; if your trailer needs a MA-assigned VIN, call the Massachusetts State Police at 857-368-8454 for an appointment.
 - As of November 12, 2019 trailers that do not have a VIN (trailers with a GVWR of 3,000 pounds or less), will have a "Pseudo VIN" assigned by the RMV, which will be printed on the trailer registration renewal application and certificate of registration.
 - The Pseudo VIN will begin with the letters "MATR" followed by 10 digits.

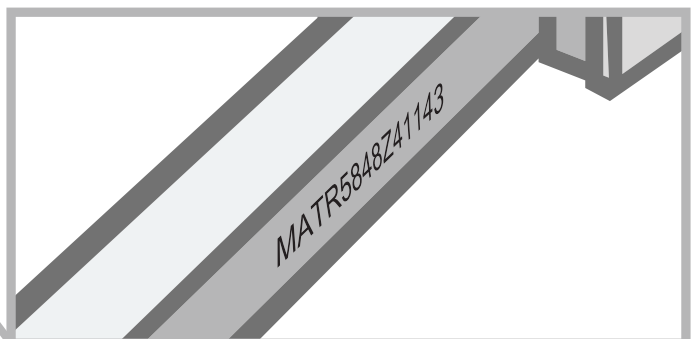
Prior to a trailer inspection, the assigned VIN must be machine-stamped, die-punched, etched, or otherwise attached to the vehicle, as illustrated below.

Trailer VIN Attachment

Prior to a **Vehicle inspection**, the VIN needs to be attached to the trailer tongue in an easily accessible area or onto a plate and permanently affixed to the trailer's tongue.



OR



¹Gross vehicle weight rating
²Gross combined weight rating