



Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program

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U.S. EPA Releases New Guidance Brochure on Asbestos Exposure From Brake and Clutch Dust

On April 2, 2007 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released the brochure entitled, “*Current Best Practices for Preventing Asbestos Exposure Among Brake and Clutch Repair Workers.*” This brochure provides information for automotive professionals and home mechanics on preventing/reducing exposure to asbestos from brake and clutch dust.

Please take the time to look at the brochure so you can minimize your exposure to asbestos-containing brake and clutch dust. The EPA brochure can be found at:

<http://www.epa.gov/asbestos/pubs/brakesbrochure.html>.

Visit the following websites for additional information about asbestos exposure:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration: <http://www.osha.gov/dts/shib/shib072606.html>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov/asbestos/>

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR): <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/asbestos/index.html>.

Maryland Department of the Environment: <http://www.mde.state.md.us/asbestos>

Maryland Occupational Safety and Health: <http://www.dllr.state.md.us/labor/mosh.html>