

All private cars manufactured not less than 6 years before licensing and Light Goods Vehicle with Gross Vehicle Weight not exceeding 1.9 tonnes are required to receive annual vehicle examination and be issued a Certificate of Roadworthiness (COR) for the renewal of licence (For example, a registered owner of any private car manufactured in 2019 or before who wishes to apply for a licence with effect from 1 January 2026 or after, must submit his or her private car for examination at a Designated Car Testing Centre).

- The examination appointment may be made at the Designated Car Testing Centres all over the territory.
- Car owners are advised to contact various Designated Car Testing Centres to make appointment for vehicle examination to be conducted within 4 months before licence expiry date.
- An Examination Fee will be charged for the examination.
- You are required to show the original or a certified copy of the Vehicle Registration Document when you present your car to the centre for the examination.
- The examination will be to determine the roadworthiness of the private car or light goods vehicle with gross vehicle weight not exceeding 1.9 tonnes. The examination will be thorough. For avoiding unnecessary inconvenience, car owners are advised to properly prepare and repair their cars before taking them to the examination.
- If the car passes the examination, a “Private Car Certificate of Roadworthiness” or “Light Goods Vehicle Certificate of Roadworthiness” will be issued.

What happens if your Car fails the Examination

- A “Inspection Form/Defect List” stating all defects found in the examination will be issued.
- You may make an appointment at the same centre for a re- examination within 14 days.
- A Re-check Fee will be levied. If the failed item is classified as "Defect will not be subject to re-examination fee", then no recheck fee will be levied if the re-examination is carried out within 14 days from the day of the first examination.
- If the re-examination is not carried out within 14 days of the first examination, a full examination fee will be levied.

Appeals against the Examination Results

- If you do not agree with the examination results, you may seek clarification from the tester or the responsible person of the centre.
- If you are still not satisfied, you may make an official appeal and complete an Appeal Application (form VE17), submit it to the centre and pay an Appeal Fee which is the same as the first examination fee before removing your car from the centre.
- Upon launching the official appeal, you will be informed in writing of the time and date for the car to be re-examined by a Government Motor Vehicle Examiner at a Government Vehicle Examination Centre.
- If your appeal is successful, the examination fee paid to the Car Testing Centre will be refunded to you. The appeal fee will not be refunded.
- If your appeal is unsuccessful, there will not be a refund of any fees paid.

Application for Duplicate COR for Private Car and Light Goods Vehicle with Gross Vehicle Weight not exceeding 1.9 tonnes

- Please approach the Designated Car Testing Centre issuing the concerned Certificate of Roadworthiness for submitting the application.
- Submit Payment:

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| Private Car | HK\$180.00 |
| Light Goods Vehicle with Gross Vehicle Weight not exceeding 1.9 tonnes | HK\$230.00 |