

NEWS BULLETIN

Maine Automobile Dealers Association

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ARE NON-MAINE SAFETY INSPECTIONS VALID?

Maine honors an out-of-state safety inspection of a motor vehicle **only** for one year from the date of issuance and **only if** all the equipment standards of Maine law are met. The Maine equipment standards which are most often a problem in out-of-state inspections are oversized tires, frame height and loud exhausts. For example, even though a motor vehicle passes a New Hampshire safety inspection, it does not mean that the vehicle meets all of Maine's equipment standards, and if it doesn't, the vehicle operator could be issued a summons by a Maine police officer.

GAP NOT APPLICABLE TO LEASES WITH MAINE RESIDENTS

In answer to questions regarding whether a GAP contract is applicable in a consumer lease of a motor vehicle, Maine's Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection states that GAP is not necessary for a Maine resident. Maine Law states: "After delivery in a consumer lease, if the goods are lost or destroyed... At the consumer's option, any insurance proceeds must be paid to the lessor and, in such an instance, the lessee remains liable only for the insurance deductible plus any amounts otherwise due to the lessor because of any prior default by the lessee under the terms of the lease".

MADA ANNUAL MEETING AND CONVENTION: JUNE 21-23

Your Association's 2013 annual meeting and convention, the 69th in MADA history, will be held the weekend of June 21-23 at the Harborside Hotel and Marina in downtown Bar Harbor, a terrific setting and a very hospitable facility. MADA has previously sent each member a preliminary outline of the weekend events, along with hotel and MADA registration forms. Early indications point to another great crowd of dealers, managers, associates and family members.

Maine Governor Paul LePage will participate with a Friday presentation, if the Legislature's business allows. In addition, Maine Secretary of State Matt Dunlap plans to attend and provide an update on Bureau of Motor Vehicle activities, including current title processing issues and future electronic transfer of dealership data to BMV. Educational workshops will also address 2014 health insurance obligations as well as 2013 actions of Maine's Legislature. And then, there is picturesque Bar Harbor, Acadia National Park, and other attractions of Mt. Desert Island. All in all, a great weekend of social, recreational and educational activities awaits MADA conventioners. Don't wait - register today!

NADA DIRECTOR ELECTION CREATES CHANGE

Maine's representative on the Board of Directors of our National Automobile Dealers Association will be a different face. Our current Director, Charlie Gaunce of the Central Maine Motors Auto Group in Waterville, will be stepping away from that post at the conclusion of the NADA convention in February, 2014 after six years of serving Maine dealer interests. During the past week, Maine dealers have received ballots requesting nominations to succeed Charlie. To the best of our knowledge, the sole campaigner is John Emerson of Emerson Chevrolet-Buick in Auburn. Results of the first round of balloting will be announced in June.

MADA DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED

The directorships of five members on MADA's Board of Directors are also being elected this year. Dealers in Zone 2 (Greater Portland), Zone 4 (mid-Coast), Zone 6 (Bridgton - Livermore Falls - Farmington - South Paris), Zone 8 (Dover-Foxcroft - Newport - Skowhegan - Pittsfield), and Zone 10 (Aroostook County) are currently in receipt of first round ballots. Please vote for one of the dealers listed on your ballot as your representative on MADA's policy-making committee.

NLRB POSTER NOT NECESSARY

A recent federal court decision has thrown out the 2011 mandate of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) that all employers post notices in the workplace, notices that many employers believed were outside the statutory authority of the NLRB. While MADA had obtained the posters to provide to all dealer members, as your Association regularly does with required State and Federal labor law notices, employers now do not need to display them.

HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE NOTICES

The federal government last week set the timing for distribution of notices relating to State health insurance exchanges. The notice distribution to employees, previously required for March 1, has now been re-set to the Fall. Maine's situation, like that of 33 other states, depends on federal government implementation, so there are aspects of the Maine notice which are yet to be determined. At the appropriate time, your MADA Insurance Trust will prepare and distribute the required notices to the nearly 90% of MADA members who participate in the Trust.

VANS AND SCHOOL BUSES

State and federal law prohibit the sale of new, large (more than 10 passenger) vans to someone who intends to use it to transport children to and from school or to school-related activities. Federal law has been amended to allow multifunction school activity buses (MFSABs) to transport children on trips other than those between home and school. Maine law **HAS NOT** been changed, although a bill has been proposed to the Legislature. Maine dealerships should **NOT YET** sell the MFSABs to Maine customers.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

MAINE AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Please take notice that the Annual Meeting of the members of the corporation will be held at the Bar Harbor Club of the Harborside Hotel & Marina in Bar Harbor, Maine on Saturday, June 22, 2013 at 8:15 a.m. to transact the following business:

1. Election of the Board of Directors and other Officers of the Corporation.
2. To Receive the Annual Reports of the Treasurer and Officers of the Corporation.
3. To Receive the Report of Charles R. Gaunce, N.A.D.A. Director for Maine, on N.A.D.A.'s Activities.
4. To Receive the Annual Report of the M.A.D.A. Insurance Trust.
5. To Receive the Annual Report of the M.A.D.A. Workers Compensation Trust.
6. To Transact Such other and further Business as may legally come before Said Meeting.

Dated this 10th Day of May, 2013.

Attest: _____
Clerk



Maine Auto Dealers Association
 Thursday, June 20, 2013 - Sunday, June 23, 2013

Reservation Deadline: **May 20th, 2013**
 Please complete all areas of this form.

Room Rates Per Room Per Night: Subject to 7% State Tax

Standard View Rooms	Ocean Front Rooms	Studio
Deluxe King \$249	Deluxe King \$300	King Sunset \$259
Deluxe Double \$249	Deluxe Double \$300	King Island View \$259
Premium King \$259		
Island View Rooms	Premium King \$325	
Deluxe King \$279	Premium King Jacuzzi	
Deluxe Doubles \$279	\$345	
Premium King \$300		

(Reservations received after the Reservation Deadline will be based on availability and may also be subject to the prevailing hotel room rate.)

Please Note: all of our guestrooms are non-smoking

Last Name		First Name	
Company			
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Address			
City, State		Zip	
Arrival Date		Departure Date	
Payment Information	CC Number		Credit Card - Type
			Exp.

If cancellation is received 72 hours prior to arrival date. Cancellations may be made by calling 800-328-5033

Name of Persons Sharing Room	
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Special Request	

Check in time is 4:00 PM Check out time is 11:00 AM
 NO TELEPHONE RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED
 FORM MAY BE FAXED TO 207-347-7997