STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

AMENDED RULES, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS REGARDING THE INSPECTION OF VEHICLES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT

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I. AUTHORITY:

In accordance with Title 31, Chapter 38, of the Motor Vehicle Code Act, rules, regulations and standards for the inspection of vehicles and related equipment have been established by the Department of Transportation (now the Department of Administration) for the administration and enforcement of the inspection laws of the State of Rhode Island.

These regulations became effective on January 1, 1993, and all prior regulations relative to vehicle inspections were rescinded as of December 31, 1992.

II. PURPOSE:

(a) This amendment is being promulgated in response to 31-19.3-5, which reads as follows: "Ordinances. [Version as amended by P.L. 1992, ch. 158, § 1; contingently effective; see note.] provides as follows: The town council of the town of New Shoreham may enact reasonable ordinances establishing procedures and standards for the licensing, supervision, regulation and control of the rental of motorized bicycles and motorized tricycles.

An ordinance enacted pursuant to this section may……

(f) require all motorized bicycles and/or motorized tricycles to pass inspection annually and be issued by a certificate by a duly authorized state inspection facility indicating that the vehicle has passed inspection. These state inspection agencies shall be created and governed by rules promulgated by the Rhode Island state department of transportation.

Contingent Effective Dates. P.L. 1992, ch. 158, § 2, provides: "This act shall take effect upon the promulgation of rules for the inspection of motorized bicycles and motorized tricycles by the state department of transportation, by in no event any earlier than January 1, 1993". As of the publication date of the 1994 Reenactment, the state department of transportation had not promulgated rules for the inspection of motorized bicycles and motorized tricycles."

III. AMENDMENT:

Those rules and regulations on file and presently in effect that require motorcycles to pass inspection annually and be issued a certificate by a duly authorized state inspection facility indicating that the vehicle has passed inspection are hereby amended to add thereto, motorized bicycles and motorized tricycles, and the authority of the present state inspection facilities is expanded to include the inspection of such vehicles.

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