



E-Fitness FAQs

1. When did the new Certificate of Fitness regime come into effect?

The new regime begins on July 21, 2025.

2. What must customers present to the motor vehicle examiner for fitness checks?

A valid receipt issued by Tax Administration Jamaica (TAJ) must be presented, in addition to an active email address that you have access to.

3. What is required to access the digital certificate of fitness?

An active email address clearly written on the Inspection Receipt issued at the Service Hub.

4. How will customers receive their digital Certificate of Fitness?

After a successful inspection and data entry, the system generates a reference number, which is sent to the email address provided.

5. Why is the reference number important?

The reference number is required to access and download the digital Certificate of Fitness.

6. Will Wi-Fi be available for customers without mobile data?

Yes. All Service Hubs are equipped with Wi-Fi so customers can review and confirm their certificate before leaving the facility.

7. What support is available for the elderly or those who are not tech-savvy?

On-site assistance will be available, especially for the elderly and those less familiar with digital tools, to help verify their certificate of fitness information.

8. Is there a grace period under the new regime?

No. There is no grace period under the new digital Certificate of Fitness system.

9. What happens if my vehicle fails the inspection?

If your vehicle fails, the Inspection Receipt will list all noted defects. The receipt number must be kept safely, as it remains valid for re-inspection and certificate issuance. Note that you will only be allowed to reuse the receipt once. If the vehicle fails the inspection a second time, you will be required to pay a new inspection fee at the tax office.

10. What is the fitness validity period for brand new vehicles?

5 years

11. What is the validity period for vehicles 10 years old or less?

3 years

12. What is the validity period for vehicles over 10 years old?

1 year

13. Will I need to show the police my digital certificate of fitness?

No. The police will be able to access your digital certificate of fitness via their Smart Check Application.

14. What are the costs for fitness inspection?

Private Motor Vehicle (PMV) - \$4,500, Motorcycle - \$4,500

Public Passenger Vehicle (PPV) & Commercial - \$5,400, Trailer / Tractor - \$5,400



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15. How early can I renew the digital certificate of fitness?

Ninety (90) days before expiration.

16. What constitutes a “new vehicle” under the law?

A vehicle that meets ALL three criteria listed below:

1. Must be 2 years old or younger
2. Must have 250 km or less in mileage
3. Must be on a manufacturer's invoice and not previously registered or licensed in any other jurisdiction

17. What if I have a fleet of vehicles to get certified fit?

The payment receipt number and chassis for each vehicle must be written on an individual inspection receipt, issued by the Service Hub. The reference number for each Certificate of Fitness will be sent to an email address provided.

18. Does it have to be my email address?

No, but it must be an active email address that you have access to.

19. Which portal will I go on to view my digital certificate of fitness?

The Certificate Distribution and Generation System (CDGS): <https://cgds.gov.jm>

20. How will the insurance agencies verify my vehicle's fitness?

The Insurance Companies will be able to access the digital certificate of fitness via the same portal

21. Which law allows the issuance of digital certificate of fitness?

The Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 2025

22. What if I am in a crash, how do I exchange documents?

The electronic Certificate of Fitness can be downloaded, saved or printed. However, it is important that you make note of the registration plate number and report it to the police as their Smart Check App will be able to access your Certificate of Fitness. Also, ensure to exchange insurance and driver's licence information, which should be driven with physically.

23. What if I am selling the vehicle, how does that work?

The Tax Office and other third party agencies will have access to the Certificate Generation and Distribution System, which will verify the Certificate of Fitness for the purpose of getting the Motor Vehicle Title stamped.

24. Do I have to come in for the physical inspection of the motor vehicle under this new regime?

Yes. An Electronic Certificate of Fitness is issued after a physical inspection of the motor vehicle has taken place.

25. What do I do if I am not seeing the Electronic Certificate of Fitness after logging on to the portal?

Make contact with the Service Hub where the inspection was done immediately.

26. If I received my Certificate of Fitness before the new regime, will I still need to drive with it?

Yes