

# Environment as it Relates to Motoring

## Vehicle Emissions N1990, A2005

Motor vehicle evaporative and combustion emissions adversely affect air quality, the environment and are known to cause harm to humans. AMA supports initiatives to reduce or eliminate these emissions. Emission reduction initiatives should be selected to yield the greatest environmental benefits while minimizing the cost or impacts to motorists.

### **Related Statements**

#### Club Action N1999, A2008

In an effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change, AMA will utilize its resources to:

- Voluntarily reduce emissions from internal business operations;
- Encourage both employees and members to reduce their emissions, and;
- Advocate in support of responsible action and on behalf of motorists to ensure they are not singled out to bear a disproportionate burden of government policies to reduce emissions.

#### Remote Emissions Inspection N2000, R2008

The Government of Alberta is called upon to implement a remote emissions inspection program to reduce on-road vehicle emissions. Vehicles identified as gross emitters after making allowance for vehicle age and original specifications should be required to be tested and have corrective repairs done at certified repair stations.

## Vehicle Idling N2003

Unnecessary vehicle idling is a significant problem in Canada that wastes fuel and harms the environment.

### **Related Statements**

#### Awareness and Education N2003

Vehicle manufacturers, member clubs of CAA, and all levels of government are encouraged to conduct awareness and education programs to address public misperceptions, change behaviours and reduce the environmental impacts of excessive vehicle idling.

#### Bylaws N2008

Municipalities considering the implementation of bylaws to reduce unnecessary vehicle idling must consider the proposed bylaw's practicality and enforceability. To be effective, bylaws must be evidence based, receive dedicated enforcement resources and be accompanied by education and awareness efforts.