



***JAPANESE COMPULSORY INSURANCE  
(JCI)***





## ***FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS***

- What is JCI?
- Who does JCI and where does it get done?
- How do I know when my JCI expires?
- Who is responsible for ensuring that I have the proper JCI on my vehicle?
- How do I find out how much my JCI will cost?

## ***WHAT IS JCI?***

JCI, which stands for Japanese Compulsory Insurance, is a government regulated, mandatory safety inspection that must be done every two years for cars and motorcycles in Japan.

When completing a JCI there are strict guidelines which the performing facility must adhere to.

## ***THE TESTING PROCESS***

The JCI inspection tests these areas:

- **Exterior** - the vehicle must meet Japanese exterior regulations and not have illegal exterior modifications, such as extreme body kits that increase the exterior dimensions
- **Wheel Alignment** - the vehicle's wheels must be in-line and able to turn correctly
- **Speedometer Inspection** - the vehicle's speedometer must be accurate
- **Headlamp Inspection** - the vehicle's headlights must be correctly placed and aligned
- **Brake Inspection** - the vehicle's brakes must work correctly
- **Exhaust Gas/Muffler Inspection** - tests carbon monoxide and hydrocarbon emissions along with exhaust noise levels
- **Undercarriage Inspection** - inspects suspension parts and checks for rust which is common here in Misawa

***\*Should a car not meet any of the test standards, repairs must be made before passing the JCI inspection.***

## WHO DOES JCI?

We do! The Misawa Auto Complex's Pit Stop Garage performs a full JCI inspection from start to finish. Misawa is the only base in Japan that performs JCI inspections on site. The Pit Stop Garage is licensed through the government of Japan to perform JCI inspections and they are not required to take the vehicles to the Land and Transportation Office (LTO). The JCI inspector comes to us, collects the JCI fee in yen and completes your paperwork for renewal. Misawa Auto Complex makes the JCI process simple— you'll never need to leave base, from the initial inspection to picking up your new, updated title and sticker.

## EXPIRATION INFORMATION

The expiration date of a JCI can be found on the lower left hand side of the vehicle's current title. The year will be in the format of the **Japanese Year** (e.g. year-26/month-9/day-3 is read as September 3, 2014). Make sure to schedule a JCI appointment with a **minimum of two weeks** prior to the expiration date to allow enough time for repairs and to order parts if needed.

***\*If caught ON base with an expired JCI, the driver's license will be suspended for one year.***

***\*If caught OFF base, the driver's license will be revoked for one year, and there is a possibility of a large fine.***

自動車検査証

車種	軽自動車	型式	軽自動車	年式	平成26年
車体番号	107000	検査日	平成26年9月3日	検査場所	駐米米軍施設
検査種別	定期検査	検査結果	合格	検査料	¥12,600
走行距離	107000km	検査員	田中 太郎	検査官	佐藤 健一

MISAWA AIR BASE AP

平成 26 年 9 月 3 日

走行距離 107000km (平成26年9月3日現在)

## WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

The vehicle owner is responsible for ensuring that your car or motorcycle has a current JCI at all times. If you are going to be gone around the time your JCI expires, schedule your appointment before you leave.

Power-of-Attorney is not required to have a vehicle inspected by another party on behalf of the owner. **However, proper documentation and fees must be presented before the inspection can be completed.**

**自動車損害賠償責任保険証明書**

下記の自動車に付いては、自動車損害賠償責任法による自動車損害賠償責任の  
履行が保証されていることを証明します。

JCI番号 **86-662762 4** ニッセイ自動車損害賠償株式会社  
平成 18 年 01 月 30 日

<b>車種</b>	八戸 500 Y 2614	<b>自賠保の 種別</b>	自賠
<b>原付番号</b>	EG8-1304168	<b>自賠保の 支払額</b>	青森県
<b>有効期間</b>	自 平成 18 年 01 月 30 日 25 日 至 平成 20 年 02 月 29 日 午後 0 時	<b>自賠保の 料率</b>	¥ 30,780
<b>被保険者</b>	MISAWA AIR BASE APO 96319	<b>被保険者 の氏名</b>	
<b>自動車</b>		<b>保証料を納済済印</b>	
<b>発行者</b>	青森支店 青森市中街4-11-10 017-777-1841	<b>支店</b>	0957 021563 酒田第一タース

この自動車損害賠償責任保険は、発行者が保証人として、この自動車損害賠償責任法に基づいて発行されたものであり、この自動車損害賠償責任法に基づいて発行されたものである。



## WHAT IS THE COST?

The cost varies based on your vehicle's weight and plate number (Hachinohe 500 or 300 plate). Fees range from ¥40,830–¥50,330. This fee is for the new policy, stamp and recycling fee, payable to the Government of Japan. You must pay this fee in Japanese currency (Yen) before your JCI can be completed.

Pit Stop Garage charges \$90 for cars and \$40 for motorcycles for the labor required to complete the physical inspection of your vehicle. This fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE**.

*\*If you have any questions pertaining to JCI, stop by the Pit Stop Garage and talk to a JCI Inspector, who is a subject matter expert.*

No. 79571		The cars which are imposed tax for prefectural tax and the tax rate are as shown below:	
		Common private car	
		Displacement Up to 4.5 liters... Annual sum 19,000 Yen	
		Over 4.5 liters... Annual sum 22,000 Yen	
		Common truck	
		..... Annual sum 32,000 Yen	
		Small-sized private car	
		..... Annual sum 7,500 Yen	
		Small-sized truck	
		..... Annual sum 7,500 Yen	
平成	17	年度	
車種 普通乗用車・普通トラック・小型乗用車・小型トラック・特殊用途車 Type of Vehicle Common private car / Common truck / Small-sized private car / Small-sized truck			
排気容量 (Displacement) 1,500cc以下車 / 1,500cc以下車			
登録番号 (Registration No.) 八戸 500Y 2614			
自動車税証紙 Automobile Tax Stamp		印 Approved IP	
税額 (Tax Amount)	¥ 7,500		
有効期間 12ヵ月分 Tax For	2005年 4月 1日付迄 TO 2006年 3月 31日付迄 2005年 4月 22日		
交付年月日 Date of Delivery	2005年 4月 22日		
青森県 Aomori Prefecture			

Buying this certificate stamp from the prefectural-tax office, the tax-payer should pay this stamp as tax within April every year. But, if the obligation of the tax-payment after April 1 happens, buying this stamp, the tax-payer should pay the tax within the next month.



## **JCI PROCEDURE**

**Inspections are done Monday–Friday at 7:30 a.m.**

Please make an appointment for a JCI at least two weeks in advance.

1. Schedule a JCI appointment at the Pit Stop garage (226-9486).
2. We thoroughly inspect the vehicle to find any discrepancies that would cause the system to fail.
3. When the inspection is complete, if there are any problems, the Pit Stop Garage will obtain estimates on the cost of the parts from stores in the local area.
4. Once the parts store estimates are calculated, we notify you of the cost.
5. Customers pay in advance for parts needed so that the Pit Stop Garage can order and replace the part.
6. A second appointment is then scheduled to replace the parts that aren't functioning properly.
7. Once the vehicle is repaired, the yen portion of the bill is totalled and paid by the customer.
8. When the JCI is completed, a temporary JCI sticker is given with a copy of the JCI policy.
9. A permanent JCI sticker and your new title will be available at the Pit Stop Garage the Friday following the JCI procedure.

***\*Customers who choose to dispose of their vehicle are entitled to a pro-rated refund of yen for the remaining months of JCI left on their policy, if applicable.***

***\*This refund MUST be processed where the JCI policy was originally purchased to receive the Yen refund.***

## KEY TERMS

**JCI**- Japanese Compulsory Insurance, a mandatory safety inspection done every two years.

**RECYCLING FEE**- a one-time fee for the proper disposal of air bags, A/C and any fluids at the time of junking.

**\*This fee is not required for motorcycles**

**TITLE** - a document with all vital vehicle information that includes the expiration date of the vehicle's current JCI. **\*Keep this in your vehicle at all times.**

## PIT STOP GARAGE VEHICLE PRE-BUY CHECK

Buying a car? Not sure if it's worth it? Seems too good to be true?

**Have a certified mechanic check the car before you buy it.**

The pre-buy check includes a visual inspection of these system components:

### ALL FOR \$35

1. Steering
2. Brake System
3. Exhaust System
4. Engine Cooling System
5. Heater System
6. Struts and Shocks
7. Tires

**NOTE:** The Pit Stop Garage cannot guarantee how long any vehicle will last due to the fact that it is mechanical and prone to malfunction at any time.



# **PITSTOP GARAGE**

**Bldg. 965, 226-9486**

## **Facility Hours**

Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m.–4:45 p.m.

**CLOSED** Saturday & Sunday

# **AUTO**

**HOBBY CENTER**

**Bldg. 767, 226-4654**

## **Self-Service Facility Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

11 a.m.–8 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 9 a.m.–6 p.m.

**CLOSED** Wednesday & federal holidays

## **Towing Appointments**

Tuesday–Friday 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday Emergencies **ONLY**

