The North Dakota Highway Patrol symbol is a profile of Red Tomahawk, a Teton Dakotah (Sioux) Indian who lived on his land near the Cannonball River on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation near Mandan, North Dakota. Red Tomahawk, a subchief, served as a government policeman helping to create order in a time of turbulence. He was considered a champion of his people, a noble American, and a just man. Today his profile reminds travelers of the first people to roam the plains. The North Dakota Highway Patrol officially adopted the profile of Red Tomahawk as the patrol vehicle door emblem and department symbol in 1951.

Means the inspector must understand the Federal Regulations in Part 393 and Appendix G. They must also be able to identify defective parts and have knowledge and proficiency in maintenance procedures.

- The inspector may have gained experience or training by completing a State or Federal training program or through a combination of other training and/or experience that totals at least one year.

Who Needs An Periodic Annual Vehicle Inspection?

Commercial Motor Vehicles and Farm Vehicles over 26,000 lbs.
All farm/ranch operated trucks and trailers and all commercial trucks and trailers that meet the following requirements, must have an annual vehicle inspection.

This inspection is to be done annually on trucks, trailers and farm/ranch vehicles if:

♦ The truck (including pickups) and trailer(s) have a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) or gross combination weight rating (GCWR) exceeding 10,000 lbs. and crosses the North Dakota border (known as an Interstate trip) OR

♦ The truck (including pickups) and trailer(s) have a gross vehicle weight that exceeds 26,000 lbs. and stays in the state of North Dakota (known as an Intrastate trip.

North Dakota trucks and trailers that do not cross the North Dakota border and have a gross vehicle weight of less than 26,001 lbs. are exempt from all federal safety regulations.

♦ A copy of the annual vehicle inspection must be kept in the vehicle to be produced at roadside inspections. This can either be a sticker on the vehicle or a copy of the actual inspection form. A copy of the annual vehicle inspection report must also be kept at the farm/residence or place of business in a maintenance file for a period of 14 months from the date of inspection. This means that the old and new inspection reports will overlap by 2 months.

♦ All trucks and all trailer(s) are required by regulations to each have an annual inspection completed once in a 12-month period.

♦ This inspection must be done by a qualified inspector. This inspection must be done by a qualified inspector.