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FORENSIC SERVICES LABORATORY CUSTOMER SERVICE NOTICE 2025-03

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Breath Testing Rooms – New Breath Testing Devices The INTOX DMT

Please be advised that over the next year, the DataMaster DMTs (149) in the Breath Testing Rooms at all Breath Testing Sites (104) in SC will be incrementally replaced by the SLED Implied Consent Department. The new instrument employs the same proven scientific method for alcohol analysis of Infrared Spectroscopy which has been utilized for the state's breath testing program since 1991. The new instrumentation is called the INTOX DMT. It is still a DataMaster and is the third version of the instrument we have used in South Carolina.

The changeover will take approximately one year to complete and follow the same replacement schedule which was successfully undertaken with the current instrumentation in 2009. The SLED Implied Consent Department will begin taking down half of the state's existing breath testing devices, known as the DataMaster DMT, and installing the new INTOX DMT during this summer of 2025.

This first half of instruments will be installed and certified but left *out of service* until the SC Criminal Justice Academy has a sufficient number of DataMaster Operators retrained and recertified on the new INTOX DMT to cover the needs of every county.

The retraining and recertification will take place online through the SC Criminal Justice Academy via ACADIS. DataMaster Operators for the new INTOX DMT will receive a new DataMaster Operator Certification with a new DataMaster number once they have completed the online training.

Once the SCCJA determines enough Operators have been retrained and recertified, the first half of the new INTOX DMTs will be *placed into service*. The second half of the old instruments will then be taken *out of service* and the rest of the new INTOX DMTs will then be installed, certified and *placed into service*. The new instruments will go through a 2-step certification process; the first being a laboratory certification; the second being a breath testing site certification. We ask for your patience and understanding during this process.

NOTICE: The new INTOX DMT will not accept the old DataMaster DMT certification number. If officers choose to remain certified DataMaster Operators, they will have to acquire the INTOX DMT Recertification training through the SCCJA's ACADIS online system. Please see your agency's Training Officer to get registered. Please obtain this training and your new DataMaster Certification # as soon as possible. Once the first half of the new INTOX DMT are placed into service, we will begin taking down the last half of the old DataMaster DMTs and the old DataMaster Certification # will no longer be valid.



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