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JCI

is short for Japanese Compulsory Insurance. JCI is a Government of Japan (GOJ) requirement for all SOFA status personnel, requiring registration of any vehicle aboard military installations on Okinawa, with renewal required every 24 months. This guide details the steps to pay an agency or service provider to complete the inspection process and renew your JCI policy **THAT IS STILL CURRENT**. Expired policies require additional steps.

Step 1: Obtain a notarized (stamped) Letter of Attorney (LOA). You can accomplish this at the Joint Service Vehicle Registration Office (JSVRO) at Bldg 5638 on Camp Foster.

Step 2: Find an agency or service provider / garage who offers JCI services. There are several both on and off-base that offer same-day service as long as you drop your vehicle off early in the morning and your vehicle doesn't need major repairs. Prices will vary.

Step 3: Once your provider has determined what (if any) repairs need to be made, they will call you for authorization to proceed. Once you authorize the repairs, they will do the rest. Inspection / renew JCI policy / update paperwork. The fees associated with registering a vehicle should remain the same whether you do it yourself or pay an provider to do it for you. (JCI policy is approximately ¥13,000) (Weight tax can range between ¥11,500-¥24,500 depending on size and type of vehicle) (AAFES inspection fee is \$20) Repair costs may vary depending on the provider.

Step 4: Once your provider is finished, they will call you to pick up your vehicle and new paperwork, usually by late afternoon if you dropped your vehicle off that morning. Many providers will have already placed the new JCI sticker (small blue square sticker) inside your windshield and will have all of your vehicle's paperwork updated. Ask your provider for details.

Step 5: Return inside the JSVRO to the customer service desk and update your military registration (DD Form 430). After this, you are finished.

*Notes:

1. Most service providers will "pre-inspect" your vehicle to ensure it will pass the inspection process. If the vehicle needs repairs to pass the inspection, they will call you with a cost estimate and ask for authorization to proceed.
2. Additionally, each provider charges a different "fee" for this service and overall, it may be more expensive than by doing it yourself. (See Guide Issue #4) . However, this method is usually more convenient.

If you're JCI policy has expired, you must first apply for temporary license plates at the JSVRO. The fee is ¥1,500 and the temporary plates can only be picked up at 0900 on the next business day after they are ordered. After you have the temporary plates, proceed to step one.

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