TÜV NORD Main Inspection

The AU is an integral part of the HU



HU-Appointment Service

Arrange your desired appointment date at the TÜV-STATION of your choice. With the HU – Appointment Service, the main inspection of your vehicle is just a short visit. Call us on our toll-free line, make an appointment, and then come with your vehicle and vehicle registration to the agreed upon date and time. We look forward to your call and visit!

Toll-free: 0800 80 70 600

You can make an appointment through our toll-

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Exhaust gas analysis is an important contribution to environmental protection and to reduce the pollution in our air. That is why the AU is carried out every two years as part of the main inspection. Incidentally, since 2006, the AU has become officially named UMA: Examination of the Engine Management / Emission Control System.

How does the emissions test at TÜV NORD Mobilität work?

As part of the HU, the TÜV NORD experts examine the visible parts of the vehicle's exhaust system for damage. Values of the engine and the pollutant emissions of the vehicle are examined through a special exhaust gas tester with various relevant settings. The exhaust gas values are tested in the idling speed as well as at an increased speed range.

Innovation in the exhaust emission test

Since January 1, 2018, the so-called tailpipe measurement is mandatory for vehicles with an OBD system. For this measurement, the engine must first be brought to operating temperature. In many cases, the engine temperature specified by the vehicle manufacturer is approximately 80°C. The exact temperature is determined by an oil temperature probe for older vehicles, and by reading the coolant temperature via the OBD system in newer vehicles.

What changes for you?

If the engine is only at a temperature of 40 or 50 °C when brought to the appointment, it must be first brought to operating temperature before the AU can be completed. This can take up to 15 minutes, especially in very cold outdoor temperatures.

TÜV NORD Expert Tip:

Bring your engine to operating temperature in front of the HU itself and use the TÜV NORD Appointment Service – then come immediately to the station while your engine is at the required temperature and we can carry out the exhaust emission test.

