

BMW Car Club of America - New Jersey Chapter

Driver School Policy for Approval of Tinted Vehicle Windows

The purpose of our tinting restriction is to ensure that following drivers have an unobstructed view into and *through* your car. Our restrictions apply only to the front and rear windshields. Side windows are not an issue. Some time ago we tried to quantify the amount of tinting allowed, but the effort was made overly complicated by several variables including the type of tinting and the angle of the rear windshield. So, we reverted to the old calibrated eyeball.

It is virtually impossible for us to approve unconditionally your tinting without an in-person inspection. However, with a good photograph, we usually get a good idea—enough to give a one-time exemption that will allow you to run at one event, where we can make an in-person evaluation for future events (so you do not have to repeat this process every time).

Please follow these directions to take a usable photo of your car.

- Situate the car such that there are **no shadows** falling on rear glass. Ideally, have a contrasting background visible in front of your car (*e.g.*, garage doors, a light-colored parked car, *etc.*). Avoid featureless or indistinct dark backgrounds such as the interior of a dark garage, a large black SUV, and so on.
- Stand about 15 ft (one car length) directly behind the car, holding the camera about 4 ft above the ground.
- The rear license plate must be readable in the photo.
- Shoot outdoors in daylight, with **no flash**.
- **The primary subject of the photo is whatever is in front of your car, as seen *through* your car by the driver of the car behind.**

We will evaluate your photo and, if possible, grant a one-time exemption for the event. When you bring your car to Tech inspection at the event, we will assess your tinting in person to confirm it is acceptable for future events.

Please send your photo to Chief of Tech: tech@njbmwcca.org