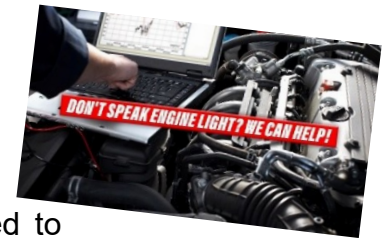
Check Engine Light….



What should I do?

Most aren't aware of what goes into diagnosing your vehicle's check engine. The investment in training and equipment needed to interface with today's high-tech computer systems is constantly requiring updating, involving big investments in equipment and technician training.

Did you know that the average vehicle has as many as 100 on-board computers, depending on the model? That includes transmission control computers, brake control computers, interior climate control computers, and even seat memory computers and... Any or all will be found in your vehicle.

Do I have to pay for a Diagnostic Fee?

Can you imagine **your doctor checking you for pain and not charging you**? Both charge a fee to locate the problem. In the case of the doctor, they may call it an "office visit". **In the automotive field it's a "diagnostic fee"**. They are all highly trained professionals! 😊

Doctors usually want to run tests after your office visit, which is similar to what happens with your vehicle, once we take a look, the next step is to conduct **tests that are usually time-consuming and require complicated equipment and a highly skilled technician.**

Believe it or NOT

The average doctor and the ASE certified technician spend about the same amount of time in education over the course of their career. The big difference is the doctor goes to school BEFORE his career begins and may take refresher courses throughout the remainder of his/her practice. **The automotive technician goes to school BEFORE and DURING his entire career** to keep up with today's computer-laden vehicles as well as the **rapidly changing technology**.

Doctors only work on 2 models that haven't changed much in the last 20 years! **We work on over 160 models** that change every year**. Doctors are practicing medicine. We are expected to get it right the first time.** The great news is our tests (diagnostics), cost less than most Doctor's tests.

Out of respect to the highly skilled doctors, it's not our intent to diminish their importance. It's meant as an illustration to our point, **after all they fix the patient's body while they're still running!**

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