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On a time scale \mathbb{T} we consider the neutral quasi- Δ -differential delay equation

$$L(x(t) - P(t)x(g(t))) + Q(t)x(h(t)) = 0 \tag{1}$$

where L is an odd-order- Δ quasi-differential operator. We assume that $\sup \mathbb{T} = \infty$ and that both $g(t)$ and $h(t) \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and $g(t) < t$ for all large t . $P(t)$ and $Q(t)$ are both nonnegative. A solution x of this equation is a continuous function for which the Δ -derivatives in L exists and (1) is satisfied on some interval $[a, \infty)$. In this work we place interval conditions on the way g and h map \mathbb{T} to \mathbb{T} that allow us to establish sufficient conditions for oscillation of all solutions of (1) under various assumptions on P and Q . Examples for $T = \mathbb{R}$ and $T = \mathbb{Z}$ are given. (Received June 13, 2005)