

Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County
Wrecker-Towing Service
Fees

Metropolitan Code of Law 6.80

A. RATES FOR EMERGENCY WRECKER SERVICES DIRECTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Towing/Recovery – Vehicles 7,000 Pounds GVWR and Under.

1. Towing (*No additional fees may be charged for using other equipment, including dollies, trailers, lifts, slim-jim, go-jacks, winching, or for mileage*) Vehicles towed to the Metro Impound Lot or vehicles towed at police request **\$225.00**

*Mileage: Charges for mileage may only be incurred for out-of-county miles, and only when towing at a police officer’s request. This rate is not to exceed \$6.00 per mile.

2. Miscellaneous small vehicles or equipment including but not limited to wagons, carts, etc. may be towed or removed at MNPD request or other Metropolitan agencies. Miscellaneous vehicles or equipment towed to the impound lot or other Metro facility **\$225.00**

3. Labor: Charges for labor, including winching, may be charged only after the first hour, and may not exceed a rate of **\$200.00** per hour. If more than one wrecker is required to remove a vehicle, the rate chargeable for each additional wrecker may not exceed the base rate of **\$200.00** per hour after the first hour. Wrecker companies are authorized to charge an additional fee of **\$100.00** for any winching performed over 50 feet off the roadway.

4. Towing of abandoned vehicles, trailers, containers, or other miscellaneous pieces of equipment from the public right of way **\$225.00** Note: If additional equipment or services must be used for the removal from the public right of way, the appropriate charges for the use of these may be applied, regardless of whether they are set forth herein.

Towing/Recovery – Vehicles Over 7,000 Pounds GVWR.

Base Rates – “Towed” vehicles are vehicles which can be driven but are towed to the lot at the request of the owner or police officer. “Wrecked” vehicles are vehicles which cannot be driven and must be towed to the lot.

	Recovery Base Rate	
	Towed	Wrecked
Straight Trucks, Vans, etc.:	\$370.00	\$475.00
Tandem-Axle, Not Loaded:	\$430.00	\$535.00
Tandem-Axle, Loaded:	\$465.00	\$575.00
Recreational Vehicles:		
25 Feet & Under in Length	\$370.00	\$460.00
Over 25 Feet in Length:	\$505.00	\$610.00
Buses (Large):	\$505.00	\$610.00

Additional Fees:

Hourly Rate for necessary preparation or removal of bumpers, drive shafts before towing is possible, and reconnection after towing: **\$190.00 per hour.**

Labor Rates after first hour for wrecker and driver:

Class B Wrecker	\$290.00
Class C Wrecker	\$410.00
Class C Rotator, if Needed	\$560.00

When wreckers are required to wait at the scene for functions to be performed by others (e.g., emergency personnel), waiting time charges may not exceed one-half the allowable labor rate. When the use of outside labor and equipment is required, charges may include not more than **35%** mark-up.

When the use of air bags is required under special recovery circumstances, an additional rate of **\$6750.00** may be charged. Recovery of vehicle submerged in water: **\$425.00**. Recovery of vehicle burned by fire: **\$340.00**. Set out fee **\$50.00** or proof of insurance in full force & effect.

Emergency Wrecker Services Storage Rates

Storage rate, per day, after the first two hours, is as follows (fee for the second day of storage may not be charged until the vehicle has been held on the lot for twenty-six hours). **

Motorcycle, ATV	\$35.00
Mower, Miscellaneous Equipment	\$35.00
Car	\$40.00
Tractor	\$80.00
Motor Home, 26 Feet & Under in Length	\$70.00
Motor Home, More than 26 Feet in Length	\$80.00
Tractor-Trailer, Commercial Bus, House Trailer	\$80.00
Boat, Under 19 Feet in Length	\$40.00
Boat, 19-26 Feet in Length	\$55.00
Boat, More than 26 Feet in Length	\$70.00

** No storage fee may be charged for vehicles stored two hours or less. **

B. RATES FOR NON-CONSENT TOWING FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY, STORAGE.

Any towing and storage firm engaged in the business of non-consent towing from private property shall not charge the owner of any towed vehicle or personal property in excess of the following:

1. Towing:

Vehicles Under 7,000 pounds GVWR	\$210.00
Vehicles Over 7,000 pounds GVWR	\$370.00
Length of 25 Feet and Under	\$370.00
Length More than 25 Feet	\$510.00

The towing fee shall be all-inclusive. No additional fees may be charged for using dollies, trailers, lifts, slim-jim, or any other equipment or service or for mileage. Except in the event the interior of a salvageable vehicle will be exposed to the elements, wrecker companies are authorized to charge a one-time fee of \$55.00 for materials and labor associated with wrapping a vehicle to protect the interior.

Storage: The maximum fee for storage of any vehicle or equipment 7000-lbs GVWR and under removed from private property is \$40.00 per day, for any vehicle or equipment over 7000-lbs GVWR removed from private property is \$80.00 per day. No storage fee may be charged for vehicles stored two hours or less.

C. OTHER RATES

Drop Fee: All licensees who engage in the business of towing vehicles from public or private property shall post a notice on each vehicle, in letters not less than two (2) inches high and appearing in a legible manner on the boom or rear of the wrecker as follows:

**FEE TO DROP VEHICLE BEFORE DEPARTING:
\$100.00**

If the owner or operator of the vehicle is present and removes the vehicle to be towed from the premises before it is connected to the towing vehicle, the owner or operator shall not be charged any fee.

**Vehicles over 7,000 pounds: C-Class Drop Fee:
\$240.00**

If the owner or operator is present after the towing vehicle has been connected to the vehicle to be towed, then the vehicle shall not be towed; but the owner or operator shall be liable for the drop fee, in lieu of towing, provided that the owner or operator forthwith removes the vehicle from the premises. A vehicle shall be deemed connected if every procedure required to secure the vehicle to the wrecker or wrecker equipment so that the vehicle may be safely towed has been completed at the time the owner or operator arrives, including the attachment of any safety chains.

Lienholder Processing Fee In addition to the rates authorized above, wrecker companies are authorized to charge a one-time administrative processing fee of \$75.00 for any car remaining in storage on the company lot for twenty-four hours, to offset direct costs for notification of the owner or lienholder as required by state law, and an additional \$50.00 administration processing fee for each additional notification sent to the owner or lienholder as required by law.

In the event the interior of a salvageable vehicle will be exposed to the elements, wrecker companies are authorized to charge a one-time fee of **\$55.00** for materials and labor associated with wrapping a vehicle to protect the interior.

Temporary 10% Fuel Surcharge was approved on August 25, 2022, until such time that the cost per gallon of diesel fuel returns to an amount below \$3.25

The fee for storage shall automatically adjust to the maximum fee allowed by the Tennessee Highway Patrol per TCA § 55-31-207.