

Proposed Amendments

Licensing By-law:

1. Amend the Licensing By-law by changing the reference to towing weight to Gross Vehicle Weight Rating.
2. Amend the Licensing By-law by changing the flat rate for towing of vehicles not exceeding Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 2271 kilograms from a collision scene to \$280.
3. Repeal the provision indicating the flat rate fee of \$125 for towing of vehicle from any other point in the City, other than from a collision scene.
4. Add a provision to the Licensing By-law stating that a tow truck driver or owner shall provide the hirer with an estimate of the total cost of towing or any other additional services prior to providing such services. The final cost of towing shall be no more than 10% higher than the initially provided estimate.
5. Add a provision to the Licensing By-law indicating the following additional fees for the towing of vehicles not exceeding GVWR of 2271kg:

If vehicle requires use of dollies - \$45.00

If vehicle requires use of second truck - \$150.00

Winch fees per 1/4 hour - \$45.00

Tarping - if required - \$20.00

Absorbant material (oil dry) - \$10.00/bag

Any other additional fees shall be approved by the Chief Licensing Officer.

6. Amend the Licensing By-law by adding a provision with the following fees for the towing of vehicles exceeding Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 2271kg but less than 11794kg, such as:

Collision flat rate - \$373

If vehicle requires driveshaft pulled - \$45.00

If vehicle requires use of second truck - \$250.00

Winch fees per 1/4 hour - \$75.00

Tarping - if required - \$20.00

Absorbant material (oil dry) - \$10.00/bag

Any other additional fees shall be approved by the Chief Licensing Officer.

7. Amend the Licensing By-law by adding a provision stating that, when applying for a licence, a tow truck driver or owner shall file with the Licensing Officer a schedule of rates for the towing of vehicles with GVWR over 11794kg. Any other additional fees shall be approved by the Chief Licensing Officer.

8. Amend the Licensing By-law by adding a requirement for the tow truck owners and drivers to have a price list, provided in the format filed with the City, posted in a conspicuous place in the vehicle.
9. Amend the maximum cost to be charged by a tow truck driver or owner when waiting at a Collision Reporting Centre to \$68 for the first hour or part thereof and every 15 minutes after the first hour of wait time shall cost \$17.
10. Add a provision to the Licensing By-law, which provides exemption from the applicable towing rates to the towing companies under a contract with police services or other government agencies.
11. Amend the Licensing By-law by eliminating the prohibition of drop fees and stating that the maximum drop fee shall be no more than \$100.
12. Amend Schedule I in the Licensing By-law by decreasing the allowed number of by-law related convictions from 6 to 3 within the last year and state these will include any offences carried out under the Provincial Offences Act or any monetary penalties administered through the Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law, as amended or its successor by-law.