

Sec. 804.1307. Sheriff's authorization to adjust rates.

Effective October 1, 2005, and every October 1 thereafter, the Sheriff is authorized to adjust the rate for towing and other services and storage charges, upward or downward, by an amount equal to the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for the most current June to June 12-month period immediately preceding the adjustment, utilizing the Average of All Items (1982-84=100), U.S. City Average, All Urban Consumers, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics (the CPI). The rate will be adjusted by the Sheriff with notice to the City Council through the Council Secretary's Office and will be effective on October 1 of each fiscal year hereafter.

Ord. 2004-1374-E. § 1

Chapter 804. Jacksonville Traffic Code

Part 12. Wrecker Facilities and Charges

Sec. 804.1202. Application for rotating wrecker call list; fees and grounds for removal from rotating wrecker call list.

	Fee
(a) All wrecker and towing firms, companies or corporations licensed to conduct business within the City may apply annually on or before October 1 for a listing by the Sheriff's Office on the rotating wrecker call list.	
A fee shall accompany the application, renewable annually,	\$100.00
together with an annual permit fee for each wrecker.	\$ 25.00
Each wrecker and towing firm approved for the rotating wrecker call list shall be charged a flat fee for each vehicle towed at the request of the Sheriff's Office.	\$ 15.00
All of these fees and charges shall be utilized by the Sheriff's Office to administer this Part. The Sheriff's Office shall promulgate guidelines for qualifications to be on the rotating wrecker call list, so as to protect the public interest. Qualified applicants may be placed on the rotating wrecker call list, at the discretion of the Sheriff. The Sheriff is authorized to limit the number of wrecker and towing firms, companies, or corporations authorized to conduct business within each zone established by the Sheriff.	
(b) If the Sheriff's Office determines that an applicant does not meet the qualifications to be on the list, it shall notify the applicant in writing stating the reasons for such disqualification and shall forward a copy of that letter to the Council Secretary.	
(c) Any applicant that has been notified of such disqualification shall have the right to appeal that decision to the Council by sending a letter requesting an appeal to the Council Secretary within ten days of receipt of the disqualification letter from the Sheriff's Office.	
(d) Upon receipt of such appeal request, the Council Secretary shall cause a resolution to be introduced into the Council, sponsored by the Public Safety and Judiciary Committee, to determine whether the applicant should be placed on the rotating wrecker call list. The Public Safety and Judiciary Committee shall hold a public hearing on the appeal resolution and make a recommendation to the Council as to whether the applicant should be placed on the rotating wrecker call list.	
(e) In the event the Sheriff's Office receives two verified complaints within any six-month period that a wrecker and towing firm on the wrecker call list has failed to comply with the notice provisions set forth in Section 804.1107, then such wrecker or towing firm may be removed from the rotating wrecker call list for a one-year period. Upon the expiration of this removal period, the wrecker or towing firm shall be required to pay an additional fee to reapply for the rotating wrecker call list. This fee shall be in addition to the annual fee required herein.	\$ 300.00

to be effective 10/1/24

Chapter 804. Jacksonville Traffic Code
Part 12. Wrecker Facilities and Charges
Sec. 804.1204. Towing, other services and storage charges; notice by the Sheriff

TOWING AND OTHER SERVICE CHARGES		3.0% Increase for 2025		
All classes applicable 24 hours a day, seven days a week.		Rate	Per Hour Rate	Per Mile Rate
(a)	Class A Wrecker:			
	(1) Motorcycles, cars, pickups (through light duty – one ton with single rear axles), small camper trailers, trailers with single axles, includes sling, rollback or dollies -- rate plus per mile.	\$ 142.67		\$ 4.09
	(2) Extra charges -- extra charge for rollover or additional winching.	50.96		
	(3) Extra time at scene -- After the first 30 minutes at the scene, extra time at the scene may be charged per hour, in one-quarter hour increments, for such services as additional winching, recovery, cleanup, waiting for inventory or other similar services.		122.28	
(b)	Class A Storage (after the first six hours):			
	(1) Motorcycles -- per 24 hour day or fraction thereof inside or outside.	20.40		
	(2) All others:			
	(i) Outside -- per 24-hour day or fraction thereof.	30.57		
	(ii) Inside -- per 24-hour day or fraction thereof, only when customer or police officer specifies or when necessary for protection from weather.	36.81		
(c)	Class B Wrecker:			
	(1) One ton through two ton trucks, motor homes with dual rear wheels, tandem axles and camper trailers -- rate plus per mile.	163.04		5.10
	(2) Extra charges -- extra charge for wheel lift, dollies, or rollover when necessary for protection of vehicle when requested or specified by customer or police officer.	71.29		
	(3) Extra time at scene -- After the first 30 minutes at the scene, extra time at the scene may be charged per hour, in one-quarter hour increments, for such services as recovery, cleanup, winching, waiting for inventory or other similar		163.04	
(d)	Class B Storage (after the first six hours):			
	(1) Outside -- per 24-hour day or fraction thereof.	40.76		
	(2) Inside -- per 24-hour day or fraction thereof, only when customer or police officer specifies or when necessary for protection from weather.	48.96		
(e)	Class C Wrecker:			
	(1) Two and one-half ton trucks and up, semis, buses, mobile homes, and similar vehicle types (no mileage charge). Time starts when wrecker leaves the shop; time ends when tow recovery is finished and wrecker returns to shop and is		531.18	
	(2) Extra cleanup and recovery, when needed -- per on-site cleanup/recovery worker per hour and all lobby trailers. Class B or Class C recovery -- rate plus appropriate class wrecker charge.	152.85	71.29	
	(3) Class B or Class C rollover, special nylon recovery straps -- extra.	81.49		
	(4) Air cushion recovery, rollover loaded semis -- rate plus wrecker and equipment, if needed, to clean the highway (includes four hours at the scene), if over four hours at the scene, rate per each extra hour in one-quarter hour increments.	3,667.95		815.10
	(5) Unloaded semis, buses, or similar vehicles -- One-half of rates specified above.			
(f)	Class C Storage (after the first six hours):			
	(1) Semi-tractor per day or fraction thereof.	50.96		
	(2) Semi-trailer per day or fraction thereof.	71.29		
(g)	Administrative Fees:			
	(1) Towing firm may, after the first 72 hours, charge an administrative fee not to exceed rate for actual documented costs associated with notice advertising and with research for and mailing of certified notices to registered owners and lien holders of record as required by F.S. § 713.78(3).	84.99		
	(2) Towing firm may charge a fee for auction expenses as permitted by state law.			
	(3) Nonbusiness hours (8:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m., seven days per week) access fee per visit. However, no such fee shall be charged for recovery of prescription medication or prescription glasses, child car seats, oxygen tanks or any type of medical equipment or life necessity items. No access fee shall be charged when complete payment is tendered for a vehicle being retrieved.	78.02		
(h)	Crash Wrap Fee:			
(1) Towing firm may charge a crash wrap fee, up to rate, for vehicles, which without the wrap cannot be sealed from water.	35.41			
(i)	Internet Research Fee:			
(1) Towing firm may charge actual costs, up to rate, for internet research fee per vehicle, but only when such research is necessary for notification. This amount is in addition to the administrative fee.	7.08	-	-	

Chapter 804. Jacksonville Traffic Code
Part 13. Towing on Private Property
Sec. 804.1306. Establishment of Rates

Establishment of Rates		3.0% Increase for 2025		
		Rate	Per Hour Rate	Per Mile Rate
(a)	The maximum rates for towing a vehicle or for the storage of a towed vehicle when the point of origin of the tow is within the city limits of the City shall be as follows:			
(1)	Class A Vehicles:			
	Towing of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of up to and including 10,000 pounds . . . rate plus per mile.	\$ 142.67	\$ -	\$ 4.09
	Maximum daily storage (after 6 hours)	30.57		
(2)	Class B Vehicles:			
	Towing of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of more than 10,000 pounds and up to and including 19,500 pounds . . . rate plus per mile.	163.04		5.10
	Maximum daily storage (after 6 hours)	40.76		
(3)	Class C Vehicles:			
	Towing of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of more than 19,500 pounds (which are upright and in a towable condition) . . . rate per hour, no mileage charges.		531.18	
	Maximum daily storage (after 6 hours) . . . Semi Tractor	50.96		
	Semi-Trailer	71.29		
(b)	Nonbusiness hours (8:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m., seven days per week) access fee per visit. However, access for recovery of prescription medication or prescription glasses, child car seats, oxygen tanks and any type of medical equipment or life necessity items, or to pay for and retrieve the vehicle, shall be at no charge.	77.04		
(c)	The maximum rates established in paragraph (1) above shall be a flat fee which shall be all inclusive and, by way of illustration, no additional charges shall be made for:			
(1)	Any fees for special equipment or services such as double hook up, vehicle entry when locked, dropping transmission linkage, axle or drive shaft removal, dollies, trailer or flat bed, lifts, slim jims, go jacks, removing bumpers, airing up brakes, and mileage;			
(2)	Time spent at the scene of the tow; or			
(3)	Storage for the first six (6) hours.			
	No other fees of whatever kind may be charged for services rendered during the first 72 hours that the vehicle is in the possession of the Towing Service, beginning from the time the vehicle is delivered to the storage facility. Storage fees as set forth above may be assessed after the initial six (6) hour period based on a twenty-four (24) hour day, each day starting at the time of impound. An administrative fee not to exceed rate may be charged after the first 72 hours so long as the Towing Service has actually complied with the requirements of Florida Statutes § 713.78 for actual documented costs, including execution and mailing of the lien notice.	80.73		
(d)	Crash Wrap Fee. A towing firm may charge a crash wrap fee in the amount of rate for vehicles, which without a wrap cannot be sealed from water.	33.64		
(e)	Internet Research Fee. A towing firm may charge actual cost, up to rate, for internet research per vehicle, but only when such research is necessary. This amount is in addition to the administrative fee.	6.73	-	-