

**AS AMENDED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2012
ORDINANCE NO. 2189**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 2186 AND TO RE-ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES APPLICABLE TO VEHICLES TOWED AS DISPATCHED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TO CLARIFY AMBIGUITY

WHEREAS Chapter 5.64 – TOWING COMPANIES has been adopted by the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS Chapter 5.64 calls for the fees and charges for Police Directed Tows and the related storage of towed vehicles to be established by ordinance from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, in regular session, that the following schedule of maximum towing and storage fees is hereby adopted:

LICENSING FEES

Owner/applicant filing fee (per license, with application)	\$75.00
Owner/applicant initial licensing fee (with approved application)	\$75.00
Annual owner/applicant license renewal fee	\$75.00

MAXIMUM TOWING AND STORAGE FEES

Vehicles up to 10,000 GVW

Service	Fee
Accident Vehicle Tow	\$160.00
Disabled Vehicle Tow	\$ 80.00
Emergency Relocation Tow	\$ 80.00
Impound Vehicle Tow	\$135.00

Other Fees (to be included in addition to towing fees, as warranted)

	\$65.00	
Standby/Waiting Time		Per Hour
Billed in 15 minute increments only after 16 minute wait		
Winching (Does not include pulling vehicle onto rollback type truck)	\$110.00	Per Hour
Billed in 15 minute increments		
Storage (beginning at 12:01am following the tow)	\$50.00	Per Calendar Day Or Portion Thereof
Administrative Fee – Accidents & Impounds Only	\$30.00	
(Beginning on the 15th day following the tow)		
Snow Emergency Plan in Effect (in addition to other applicable towing fees)	\$30.00	
Release Fee (After hours only, at tower's discretion)	\$55.00	
Normal business hours defined as Monday-Friday, 9am-6pm		

Automatic Annual Fee Adjustment

If no contrary ordinance is passed, there shall be an annual fee adjustment of all tow rates using the Motor Fuel Consumer Price Index as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, with annual increases evaluated in January using the said index data for the previous 12-month period, beginning January 1, 2013. Increases shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar and shall be effective for the ensuing 12-month period and shall apply after approval by the Director of Internal Services.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, that all fees contained herein shall be reviewed from time to time, but at least annually, for fairness and sufficiency.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage, 2012.

THE ABOVE ORDINANCE was introduced at a meeting of the Council on the 6th day of February, 2012, and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 13th day of February, 2012.

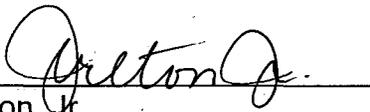
ATTEST:


Brenda J. Colegrove
City Clerk


Terry E. Cohen
President of the City Council
Of the City of Salisbury

Approved by me this

15th day February, 2012


James Ireton, Jr.
Mayor of the City of Salisbury