



# COLORADO

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## TOWING RATES (effective 03-15-2024)

### Drop Charge

GVWR (10,000 lbs. or less)	\$ 93.41
GVWR (10,001 lbs. - 19,000 lbs.)	\$120.09
GVWR (19,001 lbs. - 33,000 lbs.)	\$160.12
GVWR (33,001 lbs. or greater)	\$186.82

### Private Property Impound (PPI) - Base Rate

GVWR (10,000 lbs. or less)	\$239.88
GVWR (10,001 lbs. - 19,000 lbs.)	\$275.88
GVWR (19,001 lbs. - 33,000 lbs.)	\$371.85
GVWR (33,001 lbs. or greater)	\$419.84

### Mileage / Fuel Surcharge

Mileage	\$3.80/Mile
Fuel Surcharge	Updated Monthly (see website)

### Accident Reconstruction/Stolen Vehicle Investigation

One Additional Hookup	\$91.00
Waiting Time (per hour)	\$91.00
Mileage	See above

### Law Enforcement-Ordered Tow & Recovery

GVWR (10,000 lbs. or less)	\$273.57 / Hour
GVWR (10,001 lbs. - 19,000 lbs.)	\$326.95 / Hour
GVWR (19,001 lbs. - 33,000 lbs.)	\$427.04 / Hour
GVWR (33,001 lbs. or greater)	\$493.77 / Hour
Use of Heavy Rotator (60+ Tons)	\$780.68 / Hour

### Storage

GVWR (less than 10,000 lbs.)	\$46.08 / 24 Hours
GVWR (10,000 lbs. or greater)	\$56.84 / 24 Hours
By Length (tow carrier discretion)	\$1.75 / Foot

### After Hours

After Hours Release Fee	\$101.40
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### Statutory Notification

From Public Property	\$150.00
From Private Property	\$ 75.00

\* (GVWR) - Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of the towed motor vehicle.

\*\* In addition to the rates listed above, towing carriers may assess a surcharge for credit card transactions, pursuant to **§ 5-2-212, C.R.S.**

\*\*\* The current rates are based on an inflation adjustment of 5.21%, effective March 15, 2024.



### **Drop Charge**

Description: Owner, authorized operator, or authorized agent of the owner of a motor vehicle appears in person to retrieve the motor vehicle after it has been hooked up, but before it has been removed from the property.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(a)(I)

Note: As of August 10, 2022, towing carriers can no longer assess a drop fee related to a tow from **residential** private property, pursuant to § 40-10.1-405(6), (9), C.R.S. (see HB22-1314).

### **Private Property Impound (PPI) - Base Rate (aka “Hook Fee”)**

Description: Maximum rates for a nonconsensual tow from private property upon authorization of the property owner.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(b)(I)

Note: As of August 10, 2022, vehicles towed from **residential** private property may be subject to release without full payment, pursuant to § 40-10.1-405(5)(c), C.R.S. (see HB22-1314).

### **Mileage / Fuel Surcharge**

Description: Mileage charge a towing carrier may assess for a PPI tow, up to 12 miles for tows within 10 miles of I-25 or up to 16.5 miles for tows farther than 10 miles of I-25. Fuel Surcharge may be assessed when the price per gallon of diesel fuel exceeds \$2.60.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(b)(III), 6511(b)(IV)

### **Accident Reconstruction/Stolen Vehicle Investigation**

Description: Maximum rates for a tow from a storage facility, when directed by a law enforcement officer who is performing an accident reconstruction or stolen vehicle investigation.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(d)

### **Law Enforcement-Ordered Tow & Recovery Operations - Base Rate (aka “Hook Fee”)**

Description: Maximum rates for a law enforcement-ordered tow and recovery operations, calculated on an hourly basis (billable in ¼ hour increments after the first hour), per required tow truck/driver.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(c)(I)

Note: A towing carrier may also bill for the actual and reasonable cost of recovery equipment and labor, in excess of one tow truck/driver for one hour, plus an additional 25% of those actual and reasonable costs (see 6511(c)(IV)(D)).

### **Storage**

Description: Storage charges may accrue from the time a motor vehicle is placed in storage, based on a 24-hour period or any portion of a 24-hour period.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(e)(I)

Note: As of August 10, 2022, towing carrier can no longer accrue storage for private property tows (except the first 24 hours) until statutory notification has been completed (see HB22-1314).

### **After Hours**

Description: Maximum additional charge for release of a motor vehicle from storage at any time other than the towing carrier's business hours, typically 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(f)

### **Statutory Notification**

Description: Between 2-10 days after a vehicle has been towed, a towing carrier is required to notify any owner(s) and lienholder(s) related to the vehicle. This fee may be assessed if the title search has been performed and the required mailings have been sent.

Applicable Rule(s): 6511(h)(I), § 42-4-1804, C.R.S., § 42-4-2103, C.R.S.

Note: As of August 10, 2022, there is no longer a 2-day delay for tows from private property (see HB22-1314).

