

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND A PORTION OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 22-35 TITLED
WRECKER AND TOWING SERVICES BY ROTATION AND TO AMEND PORTIONS OF SECTION 22-43 TITLED
TOWING FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH SOUTH CAROLINA THAT SECTION 22-35 AND SECTION 22-43 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 22-35(l)(the last sentence in this paragraph shall be amended as follows:) "Once notified the wrecker service should be able to be on scene within ~~fifteen (15)~~ **thirty (30)** minutes under normal traffic conditions."

Section 22-35(n) Fees for towed vehicles and service call will be set by the department. Fees charged will be determined by the type of call for which the towing service is required. The two types of call will be (1) arrests and (2) wrecks.

- (1) If the towing service is in response to an arrest or other violation, the fee for the tow will not exceed ~~one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120)~~ **two hundred dollars (\$200)**. If the vehicle is released after business hours (6:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.) the towing service may charge a release fee not to exceed thirty-five dollars (\$35) (no other fees are to be added for a tow pursuant to an arrest).
- (2) If the towing service is in response to a wreck the fee for the tow will not exceed ~~one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150)~~ **two hundred dollars (\$200)**. If the vehicle is released after business hours (6:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.), the towing service may charge a release fee not to exceed thirty five dollars (\$35). If the recovery of the vehicle extends beyond one (1) hour from the time that the tow truck begins recovery, an additional fee not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) per hour may be charged.

Section 22-35(o) Daily storage fees may not exceed ~~twenty dollars (\$20)~~ **twenty five dollars (\$25)** per day beginning ~~twenty four (24)~~ **twelve hours** after the vehicle is towed. (The balance of the language for section 22-35(o) shall remain unchanged).

Section 22-43(d) (under the section captioned "Class A wrecker/car carrier")

Towing (any motor vehicle or trailer ten thousand (10,000) pounds GVW or less, per tow, flat fee to include dollies and Go-Jack.....~~\$135~~ **\$150**

Towing (any vehicle and trailer over ten thousand (10,000) pounds GVW, per tow.....~~\$210~~ **\$225**

The following language shall be included in section 22-35(cc) and 22-43(h):

"Multi-linked vehicles. Multi-linked vehicles (vehicles towing trailers, motorcycles, boats, other vehicles, etc.) each item shall be considered separate and apart and not as one unit and towed separately; each item towed will be subject to a separate towing and storage fee as applicable."

DONE, ORDAINED AND PASSED THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 2015

Mayor Hatley

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Reviewed:

City Attorney

City Manager

First Reading: _____

Second Reading: _____