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 APPROVED: [Signature]  
 MAYOR  
 DATE: 1/16/2024  
 ATTEST: [Signature]  
 MUNICIPAL CLERK

Introduced: January 2, 2024  
 Adopted: January 16, 2024

**ORDINANCE NO. 1-2024  
 OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
 OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO AMEND CHAPTER XXI, MUNICIPAL TOWING SECTION 21-17 TOWING RATES; COMPLAINTS; APPEALS, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Bloomingdale ("Borough") provides for the towing of motor vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has reviewed the code and recommends certain changes be made; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough seeks to ensure that the Borough is in compliance with the towing rates and fees allowable by the New Jersey State Police; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Bloomingdale, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter XXI, "Municipal Towing," Section 21-17 "Towing Rates; Complaints; Appeals" of the Borough Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**21-17 TOWING RATES; COMPLAINTS; APPEALS.**

- a. The towing rates for the Borough of Bloomingdale shall not exceed those as established by the New Jersey Department of Insurance and promulgated in the New Jersey Register and allowed by the New Jersey State Police.

<b>ROAD SERVICE</b>	
CARS (LIGHT)	\$150.00 PER HOUR PLUS PARTS
TRUCKS (MEDIUM/ HEAVY)	\$200.00 PER HOUR PLUS PARTS
<b>TOWING - Basic</b>	
LIGHT DUTY - UP TO 10,000LBS	HOOK-UP \$155.00
MEDIUM DUTY - 10,001-16,000LBS	\$300.00 PER HOUR
HEAVY DUTY - 16,001LBS & ABOVE	\$500.00 PER HOUR
DECOUPLING FEE (IF TOW IS NOT PERFORMED)	1/2 OF BASIC RATE
<b>ON-HOOK MILEAGE</b>	
LIGHT DUTY	\$7.00/ PER LOADED MILES

MEDIUM DUTY	N/A
HEAVY DUTY	N/A
<b>RECOVERY/WINCHING (IN ADDITION TO TOWING - PER TRUCK INCLUDING DRIVER)</b>	
LIGHT/MEDIUM DUTY 10,001 TO 16,000LBS	\$350.00 PER HOUR CHARGED IN 1/2 HOUR INCREMENTS OF \$175.00 PER 1/2 HOUR
HEAVY DUTY 16,001LBS & ABOVE	\$650.00 PER HOUR
<b>SPECIALIZED RECOVERY EQUIPMENT</b>	
ROTATOR/CRANE RECOVERY UNIT	\$1,200.00 PER HOUR
TRACTOR WITH LANDOLL TRAILER OR DETACH TRAILER	\$4500.00 PER HOUR
TRACTOR/TRANSPORT HAULER ONLY	\$350.00 PER HOUR
REFRIGERATED TRAILER W/ TRACTOR	\$550.00 PER HOUR
BOX TRAILER W/ TRACTOR	\$500.00 PER HOUR
AIR CUSHION UNIT	\$1,000.00 PER HOUR
LIGHT TOWER	\$250.00 PER HOUR
PALLET JACK	\$200.00 FLAT RATE
ROLLERS	\$200.00 FLAT RATE
ANY OTHER SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT	\$300.00 PER HOUR
LOADER/BACKHOE/TELESCOPIC HANDLER/ BULLDOZER/BOBCAT	\$400.00 PER HOUR EACH
FORKLIFT	\$400.00 PER HOUR
DUMP TRUCK/DUMP TRAILER WITH TRACTOR	\$400.00 PER HOUR
ROLL-OFF WITH CONTAINER	\$400.00 PER HOUR PLUS DISPOSAL
RECOVERY SUPERVISOR VEHICLE	\$150.00 PER HOUR
SCENE SAFETY EQUIPMENT, COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT ETC.	\$250.00 PER HOUR EACH TYPE USED
RECOVERY SUPPORT VEHICLE/TRAILER ADDITIONAL RECOVERY EQUIPMENT	\$350.00 PER HOUR
<b>LABOR - ALL LABOR MIN OF 1 HOUR</b>	
ACCIDENT MINOR CLEAN-UP AND DISPOSAL OF DEBRIS	\$75.00 PER HOUR ONE HOUR MINIMUM PLUS ABSORBENT MATERIALS USED
RECOVERY SUPERVISOR AND/ OR LEVEL III RECOVERY SPECIALIST	\$250.00 PER HOUR *CHARGES LIMITED TO ONE PER INCIDENT
CERTIFIED TOWING OPERATOR	\$150.00 PER HOUR PER MAN
MANUAL LABORERS	\$125.00 PER HOUR PER MAN
<b>STORAGE - PER CALENDAR DAY (INSIDE RATES TWO TIMES OUTSIDE RATE)</b>	
CARS/ LIGHT TRUCKS - 10' X 20' SPACE	\$50.00 PER DAY
TRUCKS (DUAL WHEELS)/ SINGLE AXLE	\$125.00 PER DAY

TRACTOR/DUMP TRUCK/ TRACTOR & TRAILER COMBO/TRAILERS	\$125.00 PER UNIT PER DAY
BUSES	\$150.00 PER DAY
ROLL-OFF	\$125.00 PER DAY FOR EACH
CARGO/ACCIDENT DEBRIS/ LOAD STORAGE/ VEHICLE COMPONENTS 10' X 20' SPACE	\$50.00 PER SPACE USED PER DAY
RENTAL OF ANY TOW COMPANY SUPPLIED TRAILER POST ACCIDENT	\$500.00 PER DAY
**STORAGE BILLED PER CALENDAR DAY**	
<b>ADDITIONAL SERVICES/ NOTES</b>	
FUEL/HAZ-MAT/ CARGO SPILLS CLEAN UP & DISPOSAL	TIME & MATERIAL
HAZMAT & TRASH RECOVERY	SURCHARGED 10%
SUBCONTRACTOR MARK-UP	20%
ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE ONLY AFTER 3RD VISIT TO VEHICLE	CARS ONLY - \$50.00
ADMINISTRATION CHARGE	MEDIUM/HEAVY TRUCK - \$200.00
AFTER HOURS RELEASE	\$85.00
NOTIFICATION DOCUMENTATION FEE	\$75.00
TARPING/ WRAPPING VEHICLE	\$90.00 PER CAR / \$250.00 PER TRUCK
FUEL SURCHARGE	RESERVED FOR FUTURE NEED
<b>NOTES:</b> <b>*AFTER THE FIRST HOUR, ALL HOURLY BILLABLE RATES WILL BE CHARGED IN HALF HOUR INCREMENTS.</b> <b>** CHARGES FOR ALL TRUCKS/RECOVERY EQUIPMENT ARE INCLUSIVE OF THE OPERATOR. YOU MAY NOT SEPARATELY CHARGE FOR AN OPERATOR THAT DRIVES/OPERATES THE TRUCK/RECOVERY EQUIPMENT</b>	

- b. A copy of these rates and fees shall be on file in the office of the Borough Clerk and available for public inspection during regular business hours. Each towing company shall maintain a copy of said fee schedule and have the same available for inspection by any patron or towee.
- c. All complaints received by the Borough regarding a towing operator's performance under the provisions of this section shall be investigated by the Chief of Police or his designee. Any person whose vehicle is towed by the Borough of Bloomingdale, and wishes to lodge a complaint regarding said towing, may do so by submitting a written grievance to the Borough Administrator or Full-time Mayor's Office. The Borough Administrator or Full-time Mayor shall review all grievances and attempt to structure a satisfactory resolution of the dispute.

- d. Any person who wishes to appeal the towing costs of their vehicle and any charges they incurred as a result of the towing may do so by:
  - 1. Obtaining a copy of the "Towing Appeals Form" from the Office of the Borough Administrator/Full-time Mayor;
  - 2. Completing the entire form and attaching a copy of the towing receipt;
  - 3. Submitting the form to the Borough Administrator/Full-time Mayor within 20 days of the vehicle being towed.
- e. Failure to properly complete the form or submit the form within the 20 day time period will disqualify the appeal from consideration. No appeal shall be heard until all outstanding fines or tickets have been paid by the appellant.

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Borough of Bloomingdale inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at an Official Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingdale, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey held in the Municipal Building on January 2, 2024, and the same shall come up for final passage at an Official Meeting of the Governing Body to be held on January 16, 2024 at 7PM, at which time any persons interested shall be given the opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. Copies of this Ordinance are available in the Clerk's Office located at 101 Hamburg Turnpike, Bloomingdale, New Jersey.

**Purpose/Summary of Ordinance No. 1-2024:**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale provides for the towing of motor vehicles. The Chief of Police has reviewed the code and recommends certain changes be made. The Council seeks to ensure that the Borough is in compliance with the towing rates and fees

allowable by the New Jersey State Police. The recommendation includes amending Chapter XXI "Municipal Towing", Section 21-17 Towing Rates; Complaints; Appeals.



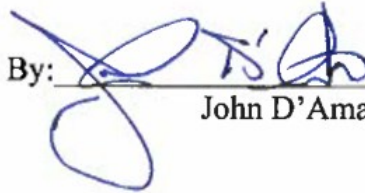
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Breanna Smith, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE  
COUNTY OF PASSAIC  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**



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Breanna Smith, Clerk

By: 

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John D'Amato, Mayor