



South Carolina Department of Public Safety

2023 Wrecker Rotation Fee Schedule

In accordance with Section 38-600 of the South Carolina Code of State Regulations, the Department of Public Safety publishes a yearly Fee Schedule outlining the maximum allowable fees for each class of wrecker on the SCHP Wrecker Rotation List. The reasonableness of fees on the Fee Schedule is determined by the Highway Patrol on a comparative basis. The fees permitted for calendar year 2023 are listed below:

Rates / Fees		
Class A Wrecker		
Standard Towing Charge	*Special Operations	Storage
\$ 251.00 Flat Fee	\$ 150.00 Per Hour	\$ 40.00 Per Day
<i>*Special Operations are billed at a per hour rate in ½ hour increments.</i>		
Class B Wrecker		
Standard Towing Charge	*Special Operations	Storage
\$ 352.00 Flat Fee	\$ 240.00 Per Hour	\$ 50.00 Per Day
<i>*Special Operations are billed at half the hourly rate in ½ hour increments.</i>		
Class C Wrecker		
*Standard Towing Charge	Special Operations	Storage
\$ 511.00 Per Hour	**See below	\$ 66.00 Per Day
<i>*Standard Towing is billed at a per hour rate in ½ hour increments.</i>		
<i>**Although no Special Operations fee is set for Class C tows, a wrecker service may recover the actual cost of rented/subcontracted equipment or labor necessary to accomplish the job. Proof of these actual costs in the form of an itemized invoice or receipt from each third party providing such equipment or labor must accompany the tow bill.</i>		

Class C services only. Rates for all equipment usage should include the cost of an operator, operating expenses, and the cost to transport the equipment to and from the scene. Fees for service, labor, or equipment not listed below may not be assessed.

Description of Service, Labor or Equipment	Rate / Fee	
Additional Wrecker	\$ 509.00	Per hour
Dump Truck, Dump Trailer or Drop Dumpster	\$ 287.00	Per hour
Rotator/Crane or equivalent	\$ 718.00	Per hour
Truck Tractor with Box Trailer or equivalent	\$ 331.00	Per hour
Truck Tractor with Flat Trailer or equivalent	\$ 332.00	Per hour
Truck Tractor with Landoll/Lowboy/Tilt Trailer or equivalent	\$ 380.00	Per hour
Skid Steer or equivalent	\$ 271.00	Per hour
Forklift or equivalent	\$ 272.00	Per hour
Backhoe or equivalent	\$ 305.00	Per hour
Service Truck (includes all tools and equipment on board)	\$ 202.00	Per hour
Tower Light System	\$ 175.00	Per hour
Complete Air Bag Unit	\$ 864.00	Per hour
Additional Labor (General)	\$ 102.00	Per person/per hour
Additional Labor (Specialized)	\$ 141.00	Per person/per hour
NOTE: SCHP does not require wrecker services to charge any particular fee-this fee schedule lists the maximum fee that may be charged for each class of wrecker. A lesser fee may be charged at any time in the wrecker service's discretion.		

Standard Tow: A standard tow is defined as responding to the scene, hooking up the vehicle, performing a general clean up if the call involves responding to a collision seen and providing responsible assistance to the vehicle occupants. In the absence of Special Operations as defined below, the maximum fee for a Class A or B tow is the flat rate listed above. Fees for Class C tows are billed at an hourly rate (see notes under fees).

Special Operations:

Special Operations are operations involving the process of uprighting an overturned vehicle or returning a vehicle to a normal position on the roadway which requires the use of auxiliary equipment due to the size or location of the vehicle and/or the recovery of a load which has spilled, or the off-loading and reloading of a load from an overturned vehicle performed to right the vehicle. A wrecker service must receive confirmation on-scene at the time of the tow from the investigating Trooper or an SCHP supervisor that Special Operations are required to perform the tow in order to recover such fees. Special Operations shall **not** be charged for a Class C tow. However, a wrecker service may recover the actual cost of rented/subcontracted equipment or labor necessary to accomplish the job. Proof of these actual costs in the form of an itemized invoice or receipt from the third party providing such equipment or labor must accompany the tow bill.