

**TOWING CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS BYLAW**

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

The purpose of this Bylaw is to amend the towing-related provisions of the Parking Lot Bylaw and Vehicle Impoundment Bylaw and to amend the Ticket Bylaw to reflect changes to the Parking Lot Bylaw and Towing Companies Bylaw.

Under its statutory powers, including section 8(6) of the *Community Charter* and section 124(1)(g) of the *Motor Vehicle Act*, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts the following provisions:

**Title**

- 1 This Bylaw may be cited as the “TOWING CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS BYLAW, 2011”.

**Parking Lot Bylaw**

- 2 Bylaw No. 87-248, the Parking Lot Bylaw, is amended
- (a) by deleting section 12 and replacing it with:

“12 A person must not cause or authorize a vehicle on a parking lot to be towed or immobilized because the purchased parking time has expired unless at least 15 minutes have elapsed since the time of expiry.”,
  - (b) by deleting section 13 and replacing it with:

“13 (1) A person must not cause or authorize a vehicle on a parking lot to be towed or immobilized for failure to purchase a parking ticket from a ticket dispenser unless the ticket dispenser is

    - (a) in sound working order, and
    - (b) supplied with parking tickets.

(2) A person must not cause or authorize a vehicle on a parking lot to be towed or immobilized for failure to purchase sufficient parking time from a parking meter unless the meter is in sound working order.”,
  - (c) by deleting section 14 and replacing it with:

“14 A person must not cause or authorize a vehicle to be towed from a parking lot to a storage lot outside a 5 km radius from Victoria City Hall without the vehicle owner’s prior consent.”,
  - (d) by deleting section 19,

- (e) in section 20(3) by striking out “\$35.00” and substituting “\$40.00”, and
- (f) by deleting section 21 and replacing it with:

“21 Where a person authorized by or under a resolution of Council puts an offence notice on the vehicle of an owner who is alleged to have contravened section 9, 10 or 11, a prosecution shall not be started against the owner if the City is paid a voluntary penalty of

- (a) \$20.00 if paid within 14 days from the date of the offence notice, or
- (b) \$40.00 if paid after 14 days from the date of the offence notice.”

**Vehicle Impoundment Bylaw**

**3** Bylaw No. 02-121, the Vehicle Impoundment Bylaw, is amended by deleting section 4(1)(b) and replacing it with:

“(b) of applicable towing and storage fees.”

**Ticket Bylaw**

**4** Bylaw No. 10-071, the Ticket Bylaw, is amended

- (a) in column 1 of Schedule A by striking out “Towing Companies Bylaw” and substituting “Towing and Immobilizing Companies Bylaw”, and
- (b) by deleting Schedules “W” and “KK” and replacing them with the following new Schedules “W” and “KK”.

READ A FIRST TIME the	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	day of	<b>June,</b>	2011.
AMENDED the	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	day of	<b>August,</b>	2011.
READ A SECOND TIME the	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	day of	<b>August,</b>	2011.
READ A THIRD TIME the	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	day of	<b>October,</b>	2011.
ADOPTED on the	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	day of	<b>October,</b>	2011.

**“ROBERT G. WOODLAND”**  
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR

**“DEAN FORTIN”**  
MAYOR

**Schedule W**

**Parking Lot Bylaw  
Offence and Fines**

Column 1 – Offence	Column 2 – Section	Column 3 – Set Fine	Column 4 – Fine if paid within 30 days
Operate Parking Lot w/o licence	3	\$250.00	\$200.00
Allow tow away / immobilization outside prescribed conditions	12	\$350.00	\$300.00
Allow tow away / immobilization when dispenser inoperable	13(1)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Allow tow away / immobilization when meter inoperable	13(2)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Allow vehicle to be towed beyond 5 km	14	\$300.00	\$250.00
Use/install/maintain ticket dispenser other than prescribed	16(1)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Fail to deactivate ticket dispenser	16(2)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Charge unlawful fee	17	\$300.00	\$250.00
Unlawful sign or notice	18	\$350.00	\$300.00

**Schedule KK**

**Towing and Immobilizing Companies Bylaw  
Offences and Fines**

Column 1 – Offence	Column 2 – Section	Column 3 – Set Fine	Column 4 – Fine if paid within 30 days
Operate towing company w/o licence	3(1)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Operate immobilizing company w/o licence	3(2)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Improper advertising	4	\$250.00	\$200.00
Tow vehicle other than prescribed	5	\$350.00	\$300.00
Immobilize vehicle other than prescribed	6	\$350.00	\$300.00
Charge excess tow fee	8(1)	\$300.00	\$250.00
Charge excess immobilizing fee	8(2)	\$300.00	\$250.00
Fail to reduce tow fee	8(4)	\$300.00	\$250.00
Fail to reduce immobilizing fee	8(5)	\$300.00	\$250.00
Fail to display fee schedule	8(6)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to release vehicle	9(1)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Fail to release vehicle	9(2)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Tow vehicle beyond 5 km limit	10(1)	\$300.00	\$250.00
Fail to have notice on lot	10(2)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Inadequate lighting on lot	10(3)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Dog in office	11	\$250.00	\$200.00
Staff not available 24 hrs.	12(1)(a)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to attend within 30 minutes	12(1)(b)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to accept debit or credit card	12(1)(c)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to immediately release vehicle	12(1)(d)	\$350.00	\$300.00
Staff not available 24 hrs.	12(2)(a)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to attend within 30 minutes	12(2)(b)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to accept debit or credit card	12(2)(c)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to immediately release vehicle	12(2)(d)	\$350.00	\$300.00

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Fail to issue proper receipt	13(1)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to issue proper receipt	13(2)	\$250.00	\$200.00
Fail to deliver information to police	14	\$250.00	\$200.00
Soliciting at accident scene	15	\$300.00	\$250.00
Fail to properly mark vehicle	16	\$250.00	\$200.00