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Transport Act 1983

DETERMINATION OF CHARGES FOR THE TOWING AND STORAGE OF ACCIDENT DAMAGED MOTOR VEHICLES PURSUANT TO SECTION 184A.

I, Peter Batchelor MP, Minister for Transport, have determined that the accident towing and storage fee structure be amended by extending the applicability of the after hours surcharge from 7.00 pm to 7.00 am daily to cover the period from 5.00 pm to 8.00 am on Mondays to Fridays and a 24 hour period on weekends and public holidays.

This determination follows a referral to the Essential Services Commission for investigation under the provisions of Division 9 of the **Transport Act 1983** and my subsequent consideration of a report by the Commission and a report from the Director of Public Transport.

Effective from Wednesday 25 January 2006, the amounts set out below are to be charged by operators of tow trucks for the towing and storage of damaged motor vehicles with a gross vehicle mass of less than 4.0 tonnes from the scene of an accident within the controlled area of Melbourne.

1. For towing from the scene of an accident in the controlled area—

A base fee of \$168.45 inclusive of the first 8 kilometres of travel by the allocated tow truck, plus a rate of \$2.65 per kilometre for travel beyond the first 8 kilometres.

For the purposes of calculating towing charges, the distance travelled is to be measured from the authorised depot to the accident scene and then from the accident scene to the address to where the vehicle is to be towed.

In addition to the above charges, an after hours surcharge of \$57.55 ($\$168.45 + \$57.55 = \226.00 total charge) applies to tows allocated by the Accident Allocation Centre as follows:

- Monday 5pm to Tuesday 8am;
- Tuesday 5pm to Wednesday 8am;
- Wednesday 5pm to Thursday 8am;
- Thursday 5pm to Friday 8am;
- Friday 5pm to Monday 8am (i.e. all weekend); and
- Public holidays (all day).

2. For locked storage of damaged motor vehicles following towing from the scene of an accident within the controlled area, the following daily rates in accordance with Section 176 of the **Transport Act 1983** shall apply:

Motor car, under cover, per day	\$12.90
Motor cycle, under cover, per day	\$4.35
Motor car, in locked yard, per day	\$8.60
Motor cycle, in locked yard, per day	\$2.80

These charges are inclusive of GST.

Dated 20 January 2006

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Minister for Transport

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