

**EMERGENCY WRECKER SERVICE**

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**BASIS** Any person engaged in the business of emergency wrecker service in the city.

**LEGAL REFERENCE** Chapter 3.49, Code of the City of Wichita, Kansas.

**REGULATIONS** Must have public liability and garage keeper’s liability insurance.

Must provide a copy of the wrecker service’s certificate of public service from the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Must state the applicant does not owe any personal property taxes, motor vehicle taxes, or real estate taxes to Sedgwick County, Kansas which are delinquent for any real or personal property utilized for the business or storage of vehicles as part of an emergency wrecker company.

Must submit a maximum fee schedule for standard towing, heavy duty towing, specialized towing, storage, mileage, and all other fees including fuel surcharges and any additional administrative fees. Failure to submit a schedule of fees with the annual application will result in utilizing the last schedule of fees submitted by the licensee. No fees, including fuel surcharge or administrative fees, other than those submitted in the licensing application, may be charged by the emergency wrecker company.

Must submit a list of all personnel who are employed by the licensee and will, at any time, be required to operate an emergency wrecker. The licensee shall provide the employee’s name, date of birth, driver’s license number and class of issued driver’s license. Drivers are to be employees of the licensee. Independent contractors are not allowed to operate an emergency wrecker vehicle or tow vehicles.

**Vehicle Requirements:**

Must own and/or lease at least three wreckers each shall be not less than 16,500 gross vehicle weight and shall be equipped with a power-operated winch line and boom with a factory-rated lifting capacity of not less than 5,000 pounds, single line capacity.

Vehicles must carry as standard equipment a two-way radio or mobile or cellular phone, dolly, cycle sling or trailer, tow bar, safety chains, fire extinguisher, wrecking bar, broom and shovel, and shall be clearly and permanently marked with the name and address of the licensee on each side of the vehicle.

**Storage Requirements:**

Vehicle storage space must be provided at a location which is within the corporate limits of the City and in compliance with applicable zoning ordinances. Such space must have a capacity for storing at least 15,000 square feet. This storage space must be fenced and secured from unauthorized entry. This space must also be kept accessible to vehicles, in accordance with the requirements of the police department. This storage space must be available for receiving towed vehicles on a 24-hour, seven-day-per-week basis, however, the licensee shall not be required to release vehicles from storage area between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

Non-transferrable

**ENFORCING AUTHORITY** Police Department – Property and Evidence, Law Department, Office of Central Inspection

**FEES** Due annually ..... \$120.00