

**Chapter 120A****TOWING SERVICES**

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**[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Upper St. Clair 8-1-83 as Ord. No. 1047. Amendments noted where applicable.]**

**GENERAL REFERENCES**

**Vehicles abandoned or illegally parked - See Ch. 124.**

- § 120A.1. Removal of vehicles.**

Whenever any vehicle shall be found wrecked, abandoned, restricting access of emergency or snow removal vehicles or parked or used in violation of laws and ordinances now or hereafter in force, such vehicles shall be removed by authorized township employees or by a contract tower upon authorization of the Township Manager or his designated representative to the township pound, garage or lot. The Township Manager or his designated representative may direct the towing of a vehicle to any township designated pound, garage or lot for the purpose of police investigation.

- § 120A.2. Notification of impoundment.**

The Township Manager or his designated representative shall be responsible for notifying the owner of record of the impoundment of the vehicle and shall keep a record of all vehicles impounded and be able at all times to furnish the owners or agents thereof with information as to the place of impounding.

- § 120A.3. Solicitation of bids and contract authorized.**

The Township Manager is hereby authorized and directed to solicit proposals for towing services for up to a three (3) year period and enter into a contract on behalf of the township, so that one (1) or more reputable private towers may be designated to tow on behalf of the township. [Amended 9-3-96 by Ord. No. 1723]

**§ 120A.4. Towers to carry insurance.**

Contract towers shall carry liability insurance in an amount acceptable to the township and shall indemnify the township from responsibility in matters pertaining to towing on behalf of the township.

**§ 120A.5. Payment of towing and storage charges.**

Before the owner or his agent shall be permitted to remove an impounded vehicle, all applicable towing and storage charges must be paid. The payment of towing and storage charges shall not relieve the owner from liability for any fine or penalty for violation of any law or ordinance on account of which the vehicle was impounded.

**§ 120A.6. Sale of unredeemed vehicles.**

The Township Manager shall be authorized to advertise for sale by bid any and/or all vehicles unredeemed by the owners after a period of ninety (90) days' storage in a township designated pound or storage place in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Proceeds from such sale, after expenses are paid, shall be deposited in the general fund.

**§ 120A.7. Rules and regulations authorized.**

The Township Manager is hereby authorized to establish rules and regulations to be followed by contract towers towing on behalf of the township, attached herein as Exhibit A.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Editor's Note: Exhibit A, Regulations for Towing Service Performed for the Township, is on file and available for examination by the public in the township offices.