

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

ORDINANCE REGARDING TOWING SERVICES FOR
EMERGENCY TOWING OF VEHICLES

The County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, after consulting with public safety units, public agencies and towing services registered as common carriers, and pursuant to West Virginia Code 24-6-12, does hereby establish its policy regarding towing services for emergency towing of vehicles.

1. That in dispatching or providing towing services in any unincorporated are of this county, the police officer or police agency investigating any accident or incident shall make the decision as to which towing service shall be called. The following criteria shall be used.
 - a. owner preference, if any;
 - b. the closest available and capable towing service registered as a common carrier; and
 - c. police officer's discretion.
2. That for purposes of determining the closest available and capable towing service, the address used by said service as established by the Public Service Commission shall constitute its business location;
3. Nothing herein shall require the calling or dispatching of any towing service wherein specialized towing equipment is necessary, if the closest available towing service does not have the necessary equipment or skill to perform the services required; and
4. In the event of exigent circumstances and/or multi-vehicle accidents, the police officer in charge of the accident or incident scene shall be broad discretion with regard to the dispatching of towing services.


Effective July 1st, 2006.



Charles E. Sammons, President



James H. Booton, Commissioner



Rick Wellman, Commissioner