



ALBUQUERQUE FIRE RESCUE

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COST RECOVERY FEE

PURPOSE: To continue to protect the public health, safety, and welfare by providing emergency and non-emergency response services, and to protect the City from incurring expenses resulting from the use of Fire resources in responding to incidents, the City of Albuquerque authorizes the imposition of charges to recover the reasonable costs incurred by Albuquerque Fire Rescue in responding to complex motor vehicle accidents and hazardous material mitigation.



LEVEL 1 MOTOR VEHICLE RESPONSE

Provides a hazardous materials assessment and scene stabilization. With minor “fender bender” accidents, there will be **no charge**.



LEVEL 2 MOTOR VEHICLE RESPONSE

Provides for cleanup using materials for hazardous fluid mitigation and disposal in addition to Level 1 services. This response includes hazard mitigation and fluid cleanup on vehicle fires and will potentially generate a fee depending on total scene time and which units respond.

BILLING DETAILS

Fees are based on \$1.00 per \$1000.00 of the responding apparatus value at an hourly rate. A fee will not be imposed unless the total charges exceed \$1500.00. An initial fee of \$600.00 for a Level 2 Response would be billed for the first hour of a response no matter how many units are on scene. Scene time thereafter will be billed according to the type of unit(s) on scene per hour .

AFR APPARATUS VALUES	HOURLY RATE
ENGINE - \$600,000.00	\$600.00
RESCUE- \$200,000.00	\$200.00
SQUAD - \$800,000.00	\$800.00

BILLING AND COLLECTION

At the conclusion of a fire/rescue response to a motor vehicle accident or vehicle fire requiring a Level 2 response incurring fees in excess of \$1,500.00, an invoice will be sent to the responsible party.

The Fire Chief shall have the discretion to reduce, waive, implement collection procedures in a dispute with an insurance company, or otherwise modify the invoice sent to the responsible party if a showing of financial hardship or inability to pay is made. No individual shall be sent to collections.

REQUIRED RESPONSE	FEE
LEVEL 1 MOTOR VEHICLE RESPONSE	NONE
LEVEL 2 MOTOR VEHICLE RESPONSE	\$600.00
ADDITIONAL TIME ON SCENE: will be based on the cost of apparatus on scene.	\$1 for every \$1,000

EXAMPLE

LEVEL 2 RESPONSE	FIRST HOUR	\$600.00
ENGINE	SECOND HOUR	\$600.00
RESCUE	SECOND HOUR	\$200.00
SQUAD	SECOND HOUR	\$800.00
TOTAL FOR 2 HOURS OF SCENE TIME		\$2200.00 *A FEE WILL BE INCURRED BECAUSE THE TOTAL EXCEEDS \$1500.00