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PRESS RELEASE

Victims of Stolen and then Towed Cars to Pay Lower Fees to Recover Vehicles

SAN FRANCISCO—Beginning December 1, 2015, victims of stolen cars that are recovered in San Francisco will be paying lower fees. This new policy will waive all fees for San Francisco residents, and allow for a 48-hour grace period before the contractor's storage fees begin to accrue. Non-residents of San Francisco whose vehicles are recovered in the city will have the Administrative Tow Fee reduced by 50 percent, and will have a 24-hour grace period before the contractor's storage fees begin to accrue. A police report must be filed with and verified by the San Francisco Police Department prior to recovery of the stolen vehicle in order to qualify for the waiver.

Below is a summary of the vehicle owner's responsibilities under the old and new policies:

Type of Fee*	Old Policy		NEW POLICY December 1, 2015	
	SF Residents	Non-SF Residents	SF Residents	Non-SF Residents
SFMTA Administrative Tow Fee (\$266.00)	Waived	No waiver	Waived	50% waived
SFMTA Administrative Storage Fee (\$3.00)	Waived	No waiver	Waived	Waived
Contractor's Tow Fee (\$225.75)	No Waiver	No Waiver	Waived	Waived
Contractor's Storage Fee (\$68.25)	4-hour grace period before storage fees begin to accrue	4-hour grace period before storage fees begin to accrue	48-hour grace period before storage fees begin to accrue	24-hour grace period before storage fees begin to accrue

^{*}Towing fees are set to recover the actual costs of the program.

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For more information, please visit: www.sfmta.com/services/permits-citations/booting-towing.

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