

TOWN OF STETTLER

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Title: **FIRE SERVICE FEES**

Purpose: To provide for the levying of a service charge for services provided by the Stettler Regional Fire Department.

Policy Statement:

1. Subject to the exceptions listed, no charge will be made for Fire Department emergency services response to the residents and ratepayers of the Town of Stettler. The following is a list of exceptions:
 - a) Response to a motor vehicle accident/fire;
 - b) Response to a fire that has been intentionally set or is presumed to be intentionally set;
 - c) Response to a fire when a person is in contravention of the current Fire Services Bylaw;
 - d) Second response to a fire monitoring system false alarm per calendar year;

The fee levied for response to a motor vehicle incident/fire in the Town of Stettler shall be in accordance with the Alberta Transportation fee schedule that is in effect at the time the service is provided. In addition the cost of other equipment and personnel as required.

The fee levied for response to exceptions listed in b and c above is as follows:

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| a) Aerial Platform | \$700.00 per hour |
| b) Fire Engine | \$400.00 per hour |
| c) Heavy Rescue unit | \$400.00 per hour |
| d) Command unit | \$300.00 per hour |
| e) Equipment other than Stettler Regional Fire Apparatus | Town of Stettler rates |
| f) Personnel other than Fire Department members | Town of Stettler rates |

The fee levied for response to exceptions listed in d above is as follows:

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| a) Response to fire monitoring system false alarms | |
| ✓ First call per calendar year | No charge |
| ✓ Each additional call per calendar year | \$400.00 per call |

2. Other fees:

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| a) Burning permits | No charge |
| b) Initial and final Fire Safety Inspections | No charge |
| c) Subsequent inspections related to Fire Code violations | 75/hour |
| d) Annual permits to sell and store fireworks | \$100/permit |
| e) High Hazard Fire Works Permit (non-profit no charge) | \$50/permit |
| f) Occupancy Load Permit (non-profit no charge) | \$75/permit |
| g) Level 1 Environmental information request | \$100/property |
| h) Fire investigation report request (owner no charge) | \$500/copy |
| i) Plans review fee calculated as follows: | |
| Plans review fee for Commercial, Industrial, Institutional and High Density Residential based on \$.50 per \$1000 of construction value to a maximum \$1,000,000 of construction value. The minimum fee shall not be less than \$50.00. Administration of this fee is as per the Building & Development Permit Fee Schedule Policy number IV-1. | |

3. The fee for attending an incident in the Villages of Botha, Gadsby and Summer Villages of White Sands and Rochon Sands shall be in accordance with the agreement between the Stettler Regional Fire Department (Operated by the Town and County of Stettler) and the Villages.
4. The fee for attending an incident within the County of Stettler shall be pursuant to the reciprocal agreement with the County of Stettler.
5. The rate of charge per unit shall be applied from the recorded Incident Start Time until the recorded Back in Service Time, rounded to the next ¼ hour.
6. At the discretion of the Town CAO or Regional Fire Chief:
- a) The rate of charge levied for responses to other municipalities may be adjusted pursuant to a reciprocal arrangement with that municipality.
 - b) The charge levied for responses may be adjusted based on the level of fire suppression or rescue services provided at the incident.
 - c) Other cost may be charged for items including but not limited to:
 - ✓ Replacement fire fighting foam
 - ✓ Meals and refreshments
 - ✓ Mileage at \$0.50/km
 - ✓ Replacement of lost or damaged equipment and clothing
 - ✓ Fire investigation expenses
 - ✓ Specialty fire fighting services