



***DID YOU KNOW?  
YOU CAN CHARGE FOR IN-TOWN MVC'S IN YOUR COMMUNITY!***



***That's right! With a few simple amendments to your Fire Bylaw you can invoice SGI for these events!***

First, you will need your Council and/or Fire Committees approval. Explain to them that at the moment, your department may not issue claims for payment for "In-Town" MVC's, only those out in the municipality and highways.

Once approved you need to change some wording in the current Bylaw. Here is an approved line change for "Fees":

**Fees for Service**

- 6. (1) *The Department is authorized to charge the applicable fees for the various services, tests and emergency responses listed in Schedule "A".*
- (2) *The fees shall be reviewed and set by Town Council on the advice of the Fire Chief, as required.*
- (3) *The Department may charge Residents and Non-Residents the current SGI rate for any/all Motor Vehicle Collisions, Traffic Incidents, Suppression Efforts or Emergencies involving Motor Vehicles both within and outside the Town boundaries.*

The wording needs to clearly state that both non-residents and RESIDENTS will be charged for these occurrences.

Next, you need to update your Fee Schedule to reflect the same change, again, here is an example:

Emergency Response Charges	
i. Motor Vehicle Collisions out of Town Resident Non-Resident	Current SGI Rate Current SGI Rate
ii. Motor Vehicle Collisions in Town Resident Non-Resident	Current SGI Rate Current SGI Rate
iii. Dangerous Goods Response <i>Rail Carrier.</i>	\$----/hour per unit, plus disposable costs.
iv. Dangerous Goods Response <i>Highway Carrier out of Town.</i>	\$----/hour per unit, plus disposable costs.
v. Dangerous Goods Response <i>Highway Carrier In Town</i>	\$----/hour per unit, plus disposable costs.

Once completed, your Town Council must approve the Bylaw, go through the public reading process, and sign off. When this is done you send this "new" Bylaw along with your written intention of charging for these events to SGI.

This may not increase your department's financial bottom line in an incredibly big way, but as we all know, EVERY little bit counts! Even if you only recoup one call, it is certainly worth the effort. It also shows your ratepayers and Council that you are trying your best to be fiscally prudent by saving tax dollars!