

BY-LAW NO. 2024-XX

A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2020-195 to establish fees and charges for Ottawa Fire Services.

The Council of the City of Ottawa enacts as follows:

1. Section 1 of By-law 2020-195 entitled “A by-law of the City of Ottawa to establish fees and charges for Ottawa Fire Services” is amended by adding the following definitions immediately following the definition of “Council”:

“false fire alarm” means the unnecessary activation of a fire alarm system, due to,

- (a) a mechanical failure,
- (b) equipment malfunction,
- (c) improper installation and maintenance of the system, or
- (d) the mismanagement of a fire alarm system resulting in the activation of the fire alarm system;

“fire alarm system” means a combination of devices designed to warn building occupants of an emergency condition;

2. Section 1 of the said By-law 2020-195 is further amended by adding the following definitions immediately following the definition of “Fire Chief”:

“Notification” means where tests, repairs or alterations are made to fire alarm system installations, notification shall include the fire department and the building occupants where necessary for safety in the event of a fire emergency.

“Owner” means any person, firm or corporation having control over any portion of the building or property under consideration and includes the persons in the building or property;

3. By-law 2020-195 entitled “A by-law of the City of Ottawa to establish fees and charges for Ottawa Fire Services” is amended by adding the following Section immediately following Section 6:

6A. (1) If Ottawa Fire Services responds to a false fire alarm at an address where a fire alarm system is required under the Ontario Fire Code and Ontario Building Code, the owner of the property from which the false fire alarm originated may be charged for the crews and vehicles dispatched by Ottawa Fire Services in accordance with the fees described in Schedule “A”, as applicable.

(2) If Ottawa Fire Services responds to a false fire alarm at an address where a fire alarm system is required under the Ontario Fire Code and Ontario Building Code, which is the result of work being conducted on a fire alarm system and where the owner failed to notify Ottawa Fire Services of that work in advance, the owner of the property from which the false alarm originated may be charged for the crews and vehicles dispatched by Ottawa Fire Services in accordance with the fees described in Schedule “A”, as applicable.

4. Schedule “A” of By-law 2020-195 entitled “A by-law of the City of Ottawa to establish certain fees and charges for Ottawa Fire Services,” as amended is repealed and the Schedule “A” attached hereto is substituted therefore.

5. This by-law includes Schedule “A” annexed hereto and Schedule “A” is hereby declared to form part of this by-law.

6. By-law No. 2020-195 entitled, “A by-law of the City of Ottawa to establish certain fees and charges for Ottawa Fire Services”, is repealed.

7. This by-law shall come into force and take effect on [insert date]

ENACTED AND PASSED this *[insert date]*

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Schedule "A"**OTTAWA FIRE SERVICES**

ACTIVITY/ SERVICE	2024 - FEE \$/Hour
Hazmat Vehicle & techs	800.00
Initial Hazard Assessment Team (unit)	362.00
Pump and Crew	1,021.00
Ladder, Aerial, Platform & crew	755.00
Incident Commander & vehicle	508.00
Safety Officer & vehicle	459.00
Water Rescue & vehicle	396.00
Hose Tender	636.00
Supply Tender	375.00
Foam Tender	375.00
Heavy Rescue	755.00
Tanker	375.00
Command RV vehicle	375.00
Service vehicle	190.00
Maintenance vehicle	190.00
Hazmat Support vehicle	190.00
Rehab vehicle	190.00
Second false fire alarm in a 12-month period in a calendar year of the first false alarm – equipment malfunction	500.00
Third false fire alarm in a 12-month period in a calendar year of the first false alarm – equipment malfunction	1000.00
Fourth and subsequent false fire alarm in a 12-month period in a calendar year of the first false alarm – equipment malfunction	1,500.00
Second false fire alarm in a 12-month period in a calendar year of the first false alarm – failure to notify	500.00
Third false fire alarm in a 12-month period in a calendar year of the first false alarm – failure to notify	1000.00
Fourth false fire alarm in a 12-month period in a calendar year of the first false alarm – failure to notify	1,500.00

Consumable materials (foam, hazmat suits, etc.)	Replacement cost of consumable materials plus administrative overhead charge
Heavy equipment rental	Rental cost of equipment plus administrative overhead charge