



Fire Suppression & Vehicle Extrication Services Commencing - January 1, 2009

Policy:

- SGI will become the first payer in all situations where fire suppression and rescue/extrication service providers attend to an accident scene within the province.
- Fire departments can now submit their invoice for services provided as a result of an accident involving a motor vehicle or for a loss to a motor vehicle (i.e. fire) within the province along with the **SGI VEHICLE FIRE AND ACCIDENT CLAIM FORM** to the nearest SGI claims center. **Please refer to the last page of this document for a complete listing of all SGI Claims Branches including phone, fax and toll free numbers. This information is also available over the internet by going to the SGI website, www.sgi.sk.ca, click on Contact Us, and go to the Location Links, Claim Centers.**
- A motor vehicle is defined as a vehicle that is required to be licensed to be operated on a public highway within the province.
- This will eliminate the need for the Municipal Rescue Services Fund.
- SGI will pay for services at the rate of \$604.00 per hour pro rated after the first hour when services were provided as a result of a motor vehicle accident or loss to the motor vehicle within the province.
- Payment will be 100% of the rate payable based on the service provided and will be paid immediately when the claim has been approved by SGI as opposed to the 50% initial payment followed by a second payment at year-end under the MRSF.
- The rate for service will be adjusted effective January 1st of each year by the average Consumer Price Index for the province for the previous year.
- The rate for a non-productive call will be 75% of the current rate payable for a productive call pro rated after the first hour.

NON-PRODUCTIVE call is defined as a service call by a fire department to attend the scene of a motor vehicle accident, however no fire suppression or vehicle extrication service was provided, the call was canceled, the fire department assisted with traffic control, clean up of debris or performed standby duty only. Traffic control is the responsibility of the police department and debris clean up is typically the responsibility of the tow truck operator who would be compensated for this service along with the cost of removing the vehicle from the scene.

- Service to Out of Province Vehicles:

When fire suppression/extrication service was provided to an out of province plated vehicle in Saskatchewan, a claim for service can be presented to SGI by submitting an invoice along with the completed **SGI VEHICLE FIRE AND ACCIDENT**

CLAIM

FORM to the nearest SGI claims center. On receipt of the claim, SGI will then provide the fire department with an **ASSIGNMENT** form, which must be signed and returned. The form transfers right of recovery for the debt to SGI. On receipt of the completed form, SGI will process payment based on rates set out in this document and will then seek recovery from the vehicle owner or insurance company;

OR

The fire department may seek to recover the cost of services directly from the owner/insurer of the out of province vehicle. When pursuing recovery directly from the out of province owner/insurer, the vehicle owner's name, address and insurer information should be available through the police department. If for some reason the police are unable to release this information, the fire department can contact the nearest SGI Claims Center to request a copy of the Motor Vehicle Accident report which should have the information required.

- Service to Uninsured/Stolen Vehicles in Province:

SGI will pay for services provided to an unregistered Saskatchewan vehicle including stolen vehicles within the province. The fire department can present a claim to SGI by submitting an invoice along with the completed **SGI VEHICLE FIRE AND ACCIDENT CLAIM FORM** to the nearest SGI claims center. On receipt of the claim, SGI will then provide the fire department with an **ASSIGNMENT** form which must be signed and returned. The form transfers right of recovery for the debt to SGI. On receipt of the completed form, SGI will process payment based on rates set out in this document and will then to seek recovery from the vehicle owner or the person responsible for the vehicle theft.

- Fire Departments will be expected to submit their SGI claim form along with their invoice for service within 90 days from the date of the incident.
- An advisory committee will remain in place for 2 years consisting of a representative from SGI, the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA), the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), the Saskatchewan Fire Chiefs Association (SAFC), and the Saskatchewan Volunteer Fire Fighters Association (SVFFA). The advisory committee will meet semi-annually in the spring and fall over this 2-year period to monitor the effectiveness of this new policy and will attempt to resolve issues that may come up from time to time.

Limitations:

- Indemnity for fire suppression/vehicle extrication service will not be provided by SGI to cities under the authority of the Cities Act, where the vehicle owner is a resident within the city and the incident occurs in that jurisdiction.
- Towns, villages and rural municipalities operating under the authority of the Municipalities Act, can only charge for fire suppression services if a bylaw has been passed authorizing them to do so.

SGI CLAIMS BRANCHES

| | PHONE # | FAX # | TOLL FREE # |
|--|----------------|--------------|--------------------|
| ESTEVAN Claims 1009 5th St., S4A 2L8 | 637- 4100 | 634-3508 | 1-800-667-9773 |
| KINDERSLEY Claims 821-9th St. W. Box 2260, S0L 1S0 | 463-5270 | 463-4999 | 1-800-667-9778 |
| LLOYDMINSTER Claims 4805 50th St., Box 1309, S9V 1G2 | 825-8200 | 825-5248 | 1-800-667-8588 |
| MEADOW LAKE Claims 313 3rd St. E. Box 339, S0M 1V0 | 236-2500 | 236-5544 | 1-800-667-4497 |
| MOOSE JAW Claims 105 4th Ave. N.W. Box 280, S6H 4N9 | 691-4500 | 691-0450 | 1-800-667-5103 |
| NORTH BATTLEFORD Claims 1002-103rd St, Box 965, S9A 2Z3 | 446-1900 | 445-3699 | 1-800-667-1384 |
| PRINCE ALBERT Claims 501-15th St. E., S6V 1G3 | 953-8000 | 764-2004 | 1-800-667-9324 |
| REGINA COMMERCIAL Claims 440 Fleet St., S4N 7N7 | 775-6000 | 721-2529 | 1-800-667-9779 |
| REGINA EAST Claims 2110 Victoria Ave. E. Box 1490, S4P 3C2 | 775-6100 | 789-7117 | 1-800-667-8015 |
| REGINA NORTHWEST Claims 1121 McCarthy Blvd. N. Box 1095, S4X 3T6 | 751-1665 | 949-7667 | 1-800-667-8015 |
| REGINA INJURY Claims 3826 Pasqua St. Box 140, S4P 4J1 | 751-1860 | 584-0919 | 1-800-667-8015 |
| SASKATOON CENTRAL Claims 623-2nd Ave. N, S7K 0H3 | 683-2100 | 683-2135 | 1-800-667-8710 |
| SASKATOON EAST Claims 4045 Taylor St. E., S7H 5P2 | 683-2100 | 683-2122 | 1-800-667-8710 |
| SASKATOON WEST Claims 345 Fairmont Dr, S7M 5N5 | 683-2100 | 683-0000 | 1-800-667-8710 |
| SASKATOON INJURY Claims 623-2nd Ave. N., S7K OH3 | 683-2371 | 242-5572 | 1-888-468-8868 |
| SWIFT CURRENT Claims 110-3rd Ave. N.W., S9H 0R8 | 778-4900 | 773-1748 | 1-800-667-7414 |
| TISDALE Claims 819-100th St., S0E 1T0 | 878-3600 | 873-4484 | 1-800-667-5030 |

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| WEYBURN Claims 1738 - 1st Ave N.E., S4H 3E8 | 848-4300 | 842-4794 | 1-800-667-9774 |
| YORKTON Claims 276 Myrtle Ave Box 1029, S3N 2X3 | 786-2430 | 786-7650 | 1-800-667-1480 |