

Abandoned Vehicle Petitions

If you have received a Notice of Abandoned Vehicle from the Michigan Secretary of State and wish to dispute the towing and/or storage fees in court you must file the following documents and fees:

1. TR52E form (obtained from the Secretary of State)
2. \$75.00 filing fee
3. \$40.00 bond
4. All accrued towing and storage fees or a receipt from the towing company showing payment of fees. The Petitioner is responsible for contacting the towing company and finding out what fees are currently due. The Court is not responsible for obtaining information regarding towing and storage fees; that is the sole responsibility of the Petitioner/Vehicle Owner.

Personal checks will not be accepted for these fees. The Petitioner must pay by credit card, cash, money order or cashier's check.

If the accrued towing and storage fees are paid to the towing company a receipt must be presented to the Civil Cashier at the time of filing. No Petition for Abandoned Vehicle will be accepted without the proper documents, filing fees and:

1. A receipt showing payment of all accrued towing and storage fees or payment of the towing *or*
2. Payment of the accrued towing and storage fees to the Court (the petitioner must provide a written and dated statement from the towing company, stating the amount owed as of the date of filing the Petition).

If you wish to claim an abandoned vehicle or have questions about the notice from the Secretary of State please contact the Abandoned Vehicle Help Desk at 517-636-5234 for assistance.

If you have received a Notice of Abandoned Vehicle for a vehicle you no longer own, all inquiries regarding vehicle titles should be made to the Secretary of State.

You cannot recover a vehicle which was booted and towed for unpaid parking tickets by filing a Petition for Abandoned Vehicle. If your car was booted and towed because of unpaid parking tickets, then you must pay the Parking Violations Bureau in order to recover your vehicle.