



Oregon State Board of Towing
Discussion – Inventory
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- 1. Define or clarify ambiguity in Oregon law.*
- 2. Address situations and scenarios submitted in complaints*
- 3. Answer questions or provide clarification to the public, towing industry, and board partners.*

ORS 98.850 Legislative findings and declaration

(2) The Legislative Assembly declares that: (a) Statutes that assist members of the public in avoiding involuntary loss of use of motor vehicles and in expediting recovery of motor vehicles and the personal property in the motor vehicles promote the safety and welfare of members of the public.

Discussion:

Vehicle Inventory

ORS 98.854 A towor may not:

(11) Hold a towed motor vehicle for more than 24 hours without:

(a) Taking an inventory of all personal property in the motor vehicle that is visible from the exterior of the motor vehicle; and (b) Holding the personal property in the motor vehicle in a secure manner.