

468-270-010

## Who sets the toll rates and exemptions?

The Washington state transportation commission determines and establishes toll rates and exemptions for state toll facilities in Washington.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [47.46.100](#) (1) and (2), [47.46.105](#) (1), [47.56.030](#) (1)(b), [47.56.795](#)(6), and [47.56.165](#) (4). 11-04-070, § 468-270-010, filed 1/28/11, effective contingent upon legislative action regarding toll rates and fees, these WAC rules take effect immediately upon the certification by the secretary of transportation that the new statewide tolling operations center and the photo toll system are fully operational. Statutory Authority: RCW [47.56.030](#), [47.46.100](#). 07-13-010, § 468-270-010, filed 6/8/07, effective 7/9/07.]

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## Which Tacoma Narrows Bridge costs may be paid with toll revenues?

Costs that may be paid with toll revenues must directly relate to the Tacoma Narrows Bridge and may include costs related to debt service, operations, maintenance, insurance and management. The commission will review detailed financial information including quarterly reports on toll expenditures as provided by the department to determine the appropriate costs to be paid with toll revenues. Determinations will, at a minimum, be based upon the costs allowed under current law, including RCW [47.46.100](#), [47.46.110](#), [47.46.140](#), [47.56.165](#), and [47.56.245](#) which include:

- (1) Maintenance, operations, repairs, insurance, and management;
- (2) Debt service payments on bonds issued, financing, and costs associated with complying with all financial and other covenants made by the state in the bond proceedings; and
- (3) Obligations to reimburse the motor vehicle fund for excise taxes on motor vehicle and special fuels applied to the payment of bonds issued for eligible toll facilities.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [47.46.100](#) (1) and (2), [47.46.105](#) (1), [47.56.030](#) (1)(b), [47.56.795](#)(6), and [47.56.165](#) (4). 11-04-070, § 468-270-045, filed 1/28/11, effective contingent upon legislative action regarding toll rates and fees, these WAC rules take effect immediately upon the certification by the secretary of transportation that the new statewide tolling operations center and the photo toll system are fully operational.]

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## What are the toll rates on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge?

The toll charges for the Tacoma Narrows Bridge are shown in Table 1.

Table 1

Tacoma Narrows Bridge Toll Rates

Vehicle Axles	Good To Go! Pass	Cash	Pay By Mail
2	\$2.75	\$4.00	\$5.50
3	\$4.15	\$6.00	\$8.25
4	\$5.50	\$8.00	\$11.00
5	\$6.90	\$10.00	\$13.75
6 or more	\$8.25	\$12.00	\$16.50

[Statutory Authority: RCW [47.46.100](#) (1) and (2), [47.46.105](#) (1), [47.56.030](#) (1)(b), [47.56.795](#)(6), and [47.56.165](#) (4). 11-04-070, § 468-270-070, filed 1/28/11, effective contingent upon legislative action regarding toll rates and fees, these WAC rules take effect immediately upon the certification by the secretary of transportation that the new statewide tolling operations center and the photo toll system are fully operational. Statutory Authority: RCW [47.56.240](#). 09-13-038, § 468-270-070, filed 6/10/09, effective 7/11/09. Statutory Authority: RCW [47.56.030](#), [47.46.100](#). 08-12-054, § 468-270-070, filed 6/2/08, effective 7/3/08. Statutory Authority: RCW [47.56.403](#). 08-06-032, § 468-270-070, filed 2/26/08, effective 4/7/08. Statutory Authority: RCW [47.56.030](#), [47.46.100](#). 07-13-010, § 468-270-070, filed 6/8/07, effective 7/9/07.]

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## What vehicles are exempt from paying tolls on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge?

Except as provided herein, all vehicles crossing the Tacoma Narrows Bridge in an eastbound direction must pay the required toll. Only qualified vehicles may be exempted from paying tolls. The registered owner and operator of the qualified vehicle must comply with the requirements of the department in order to maintain the exemption. The following vehicles shall qualify for exemptions:

(1) Department maintenance vehicles directly involved in bridge and roadway maintenance on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge;

(2) Washington state patrol vehicles directly providing service to the SR 16 corridor in the vicinity of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge; and

(3) Authorized emergency vehicles on bona fide emergencies.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [47.46.100](#) (1) and (2), [47.46.105](#) (1), [47.56.030](#) (1)(b), [47.56.795](#)(6), and [47.56.165](#) (4). 11-04-070, § 468-270-090, filed 1/28/11, effective contingent upon legislative action regarding toll rates and fees, these WAC rules take effect immediately upon the certification by the secretary of transportation that the new statewide tolling operations center and the photo toll system are fully operational. Statutory Authority: RCW [47.56.030](#), [47.46.100](#). 07-13-010, § 468-270-090, filed 6/8/07, effective 7/9/07.]

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## What is required to claim an exemption on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge and the SR 520 Bridge?

Unless otherwise provided in this chapter and described in chapter [468-305](#) WAC, in order to receive the exemption and to maintain eligibility for toll exemptions, the department may require that the registered owner of the qualified vehicle or an authorized representative of the owner:

- (1) Open and maintain in good standing a "Good To Go!" toll account;
- (2) Equip the vehicle with a pass;
- (3) Equip the vehicle with identification signage; and/or
- (4) Submit a certification that the vehicle meets the exemption requirements.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [47.46.100](#) (1) and (2), [47.46.105](#) (1), [47.56.030](#) (1)(b), [47.56.795](#)(6), and [47.56.165](#) (4). 11-04-070, § 468-270-095, filed 1/28/11, effective contingent upon legislative action regarding toll rates and fees, these WAC rules take effect immediately upon the certification by the secretary of transportation that the new statewide tolling operations center and the photo toll system are fully operational.]