Instructions for Getting Your Vehicle Released From Impound

If your vehicle was impounded by the Los Angeles Airports Police Division (LAX PD), the following steps are needed to determine and secure the release of your vehicle from Impound:

1. If your vehicle had a 30-day hold placed on it and you wish to speak to someone before the 30 days has expired, please contact: LAPD Pacific Division - Auto Detectives at (310) 482-6313 to provide further information and also to obtain an Impound Release form.

2. If your vehicle was impounded for a DMV-related issue, that DMV issue must be resolved before your vehicle will be released (e.g. if your vehicle was impounded for expired registration, your registration must be brought current before your vehicle will be released).

3. If your vehicle was impounded from a LAX-controlled parking structure or lot of the Central Terminal Area (CTA) which includes LOTS 101, 201, 301, 401, 501, 601, 701 World Way or impounded from LOT C –which houses LAZ FLY Parking and located at 6221 W. 96th street, a receipt for payment of parking fees must be presented to LAXPD before your vehicle will be released. An Impound Release form may be obtained also from the LAX Airport Police Station, located at 6320 W. 96th Street – Los Angeles, CA 90045 (Phone: (424)646-6100). The Impound Release form must be presented to Bruffy’s Tow at the time you retrieve your vehicle.

4. Once you have secured an Impound Release form, you may proceed to the City of Los Angeles Official Police Garage (OPG) to retrieve your vehicle. The OPG for LAX is Bruffy’s Tow.

LAX PD –impounded vehicles are stored at:

Bruffy’s Tow
11101 Hindry Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(310) 395-0084

* Payment of parking fees are paid to:

FROM CTA LOTS ➔ ➔ ABM PARKING SERVICES
251 World Way
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(Lower level across from Terminal 2 in P-2)
(310) 646-2911

FROM LOT C ➔ ➔ LAZ FLY PARKING SERVICES
6221 W. 96th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(Trailer near Bus Depot)
(310) 893-4676
Vehicle Impound Hearing

Los Angeles Airport Police (LAX PD) provides a hearing process for individuals who believe that their vehicle was improperly impounded and wish to contest the impoundment of their vehicle. An Impound Hearing Request form may be obtained by contacting the Impound Hearing Office at (424) 646-5604.

The purpose of the Impound Hearing is to determine whether LAX PD had probable cause to impound your vehicle, i.e. whether the impounding officer possessed legal authority to impound/remove your vehicle. Absent extenuating circumstances, the Impound hearing request must be received by the Impound Hearing Officer within 10 business days of the date of the Impound Notice for the request to be valid.

If the Hearing Officer determines that there was probable cause to impound your vehicle, you will be held responsible for any and all impound fees and storage charges. If the Hearing Officer determines that there was NO probable cause, you will be sent a refund by mail. Refunds are processed within 12-24 weeks of all necessary paperwork completed and returned. Any improper impound fees will be refunded to the extent of LAX PD's responsibility.

Please Note: Impounded vehicles should be retrieved from Impound as quickly as possible, as any unnecessary storage fees will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner. Also note that a LAX Impound Hearing does not affect any related traffic violations or other criminal proceedings. Any challenges to the underlying charges must be contested in the appropriate court of law.

Impound Hearing Contact Information

LAWA PD Impound Hearing Officer
7303 World Way West
Los Angeles, CA  90045

Office:  (424) 646-5604
Fax:    (424) 646-9283