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EVICTION POLICY

Once an "Execution for Possession" has been issued, the landlord has the following options:

"Talk-Out"

\$125.00

Under this option, the landlord will pay \$125.00 for one of our Deputy Sheriffs to attempt to have the Defendant(s) move out of the dwelling on their own. This option provides two trips to the location by a Deputy Sheriff. If the landlord feels that the tenant(s) may move out of the unit after speaking with or receiving written notice from one of our Deputies, this option may be beneficial to the landlord. It has been our experience that 80-85% of Defendants move out of the dwelling following our "Talk-Out."

Eviction \$400.00

If you feel that the above "talk-out" option will not cause the tenant(s) to vacate your unit, you may proceed directly to an eviction. The following steps occur during the eviction process:

- 1. The presentation of the original Execution to our office along with a check in the amount of \$400.00, made payable to "Office of the Sheriff."
- 2. Following the presentation of your Execution as well as payment for \$400.00, you then must hire a licensed, bonded moving company in order that they may accompany our Deputy Sheriff to the eviction. The licensed and bonded mover who performs eviction work within our county is:

Gold Vine Moving % Storage 936 Suffield Street Agawam, MA 01001 413-300-2030

Race Street Properties 460 Race Street Holyoke, MA 01040 413-642-2493

- 3. Following your payment to one of the moving companies, the moving company will contact the Sheriff's office and inform us of your payment.
- 4. Following notification from the moving company, the Sheriff's office will contact you with the date and time of the scheduled eviction. Once the eviction has been scheduled, a "Notice of Scheduled Eviction" will be served to the defendant. This notice shall include the date and time of the eviction.
- 5. On the date and time of the eviction, you or your representative shall meet us at your property in order to allow us to gain entry. At this time you or your representative will have the opportunity to change the locks and/or secure your property.
- 6. Please note that your initial payment of \$400.00 is for the first two hours of the eviction. In the event the Deputy Sheriff is on-site for more than two hours, additional time will be charged at \$50.00 per hour. Once the 48-hour notice has been served, the \$400.00 fee is non-refundable.

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