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Fort Madison Bridge toll increase coming in 2024

Phased annual increase to continue through following year

What: The standard toll rate for cars on the Fort Madison Bridge, owned and operated by BNSF Railway, will increase in phases over the next two years

When: Starting Jan. 1, 2024, the toll will increase to \$3 per car; The second increase, to \$4 per car, will occur in January of 2025

Where: The Fort Madison Bridge, located in Niota, IL over the Mississippi River, connecting Fort Madison, Iowa, and unincorporated Niota, Illinois

Why: The community benefits from use of the auto portion of the privately funded bridge. Tolls collected over the bridge are used exclusively for the maintenance and operation of the auto portion. Those maintenance and operating costs far exceed the tolls currently being collected, necessitating a phased approach to increased tolls. Today's toll rate of \$2 per car was last increased in 2012.

Note: Tolls for other types of vehicles will increase commensurately. The bridge remains closed to all semi-trucks as the approach geometry causes safety concerns.

Ft. Madison Bridge toll schedule effective Jan. 1, 2024			
Vehicle Type	2024	2025	Comments
Cars & pickups	\$3.00	\$4.00	
Cars & pickups w/trailer	\$4.50	\$6.00	
Buses	\$7.50	\$10.00	
Recreational vehicle/camper	\$4.50	\$6.00	
Trucks/utility other than tractor trailer combinations	\$4.50/axle	\$6/axle	Excludes front axle
Motorcycles	\$1.50	\$2.00	
Tractor Trailer Combinations (semis)	Not allowed - roadways posted		

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