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**FIRE DEPARTMENT FEES AND PERMITS – July 1, 2009**

**Section 1. Fire Protection Permits and Inspection Fees**

Fees for the issuance of Fire Protection Permits under Chapter 3 of the City Code shall be as follows:

<b>FACILITY/ACTIVITY</b>	<b>FEE</b>
<b><u>Business – Group B, Mercantile – Group M, Storage – Group S, Utility – Group U- Ordinary</u></b>	
Less than 501 sq. ft.	\$45.00
501 to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$55.00
2,501 to 10,000 sq. ft.	\$85.00
10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft.	\$115.00
20,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.	\$145.00
40,001 to 80,000 sq. ft.	\$185.00
80,001 to 120,000 sq. ft.	\$225.00
120,001 to 150,000 sq. ft.	\$250.00
150,001 to 200,000 sq. ft.	\$300.00
200,001 to 300,000 sq. ft.	\$350.00
300,001 sq ft plus	\$400.00
<b><u>Utility – Group U – Flammable/Combustible/Hazardous Liquids</u></b>	
Less than 2500 sq. ft.	\$65.00
2,501 to 10,000 sq. ft.	\$125.00
10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft.	\$175.00
20,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.	\$250.00
40,001 to 80,000 sq. ft.	\$350.00
80,001 to 120,000 sq. ft.	\$450.00
120,001 to 150,000 sq. ft.	\$550.00
150,001 to 200,000 sq. ft.	\$650.00
200,001 to 300,000 sq. ft.	\$750.00
300,001 sq ft plus	\$800.00
<b><u>Small Assembly - Group A</u></b>	
Capacity 50-99	\$65.00

**Large Assembly - Group A**

Capacity 100-200	\$100.00
Capacity 201-300	\$150.00
Capacity 301-400	\$200.00
Capacity 401-500	\$250.00
Capacity 501-600	\$275.00
Capacity 601-plus	\$300.00

**Educational Group E – Schools (Public and Private)**

Per facility	\$75.00
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**Educational Group E - Day Care, Institutional Group I (24 hour Care)**

Licensed for 0 – 25	\$75.00
Licensed for 26 - 50	\$90.00
Licensed for 51 - 100	\$115.00
Licensed for 101 - 150	\$135.00
Licensed for 151 - 175	\$155.00
Licensed 176 plus	\$175.00
Hospitals	\$500.00

**Factory – Industrial – Group F**

Less than 501 sq. ft.	\$45.00
501 to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$65.00
2,501 to 10,000 sq. ft.	\$105.00
10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft.	\$145.00
20,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.	\$185.00
40,001 to 80,000 sq. ft.	\$225.00
80,001 to 120,000 sq. ft.	\$275.00
120,001 to 150,000 sq.ft.	\$300.00
150,001 to 200,000 sq.ft.	\$325.00
200,001 sq. ft. plus	\$400.00

**Hazardous - Group H**

Less than 501 sq. ft.	\$35.00
501 to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$75.00
2,501 to 10,000 sq. ft.	\$125.00
10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft.	\$175.00
20,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.	\$225.00
40,001 to 80,000 sq. ft.	\$275.00
80,001 to 120,000 sq. ft.	\$325.00
120,001 to 150,000 sq.ft.	\$375.00
150,001 to 200,000 sq.ft.	\$425.00
200,001 sq. ft. plus	\$500.00

**Residential - Group R1** - Number of Sleeping Rooms

1-10	\$45.00
11-30	\$65.00
31-50	\$85.00
51-75	\$105.00
76-99	\$125.00
100-125	\$145.00
126-175	\$185.00
176-199	\$225.00
200-250	\$265.00
251 plus	\$300.00

**Residential - High-Rise/Assisted Living/Enclosed Apartment building**

Less than 501 sq. ft.	\$45.00
501 to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$55.00
2,501 to 10,000 sq. ft.	\$75.00
10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft.	\$100.00
20,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.	\$135.00
40,001 to 80,000 sq. ft.	\$175.00
80,001 to 120,000 sq. ft.	\$205.00
120,001 to 160,000 sq. ft.	\$235.00
160,001 to 200,000 sq. ft.	\$275.00
200,001 to 300,000 sq. ft.	\$325.00
300,001 sq ft plus	\$400.00

**Residential - Group R2 - Apartment Buildings** (Beyond one and two family dwellings and inspection of common use areas only. Fee based on the number of buildings in the complex.)

1 to 2	\$45.00
3 to 10	\$75.00
10 to 15	\$125.00
16 to 20	\$175.00
21 to 25	\$225.00
26 or more	\$275.00

Notes

1. Fee will be reduced by 50% to inspect a vacant occupancy.
2. Inspections based on a minimum two-year cycle. Exception: Occupancies mandated to receive inspections annually or permitted per the NC Fire Prevention Code.
3. If an operational permit(s) is required by the occupancy, the permit fee shall be included in the periodic inspection fee.
4. For multiple occupancy buildings, other than residential and institutional, fees are per occupancy.
5. Occupancies current with payment of fire inspection fees will not be charged for fire and life safety training. If not current, a rate of \$100.00 per hour will be assessed.

**Storage of:**

Fireworks Display	\$200.00
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**Operation of:**

Carnivals and Fairs	\$65.00
Exhibits and Trade Shows	\$45.00
Exhibits and Trade Shows – After hour inspection	\$90.00
Private Fire Hydrants	\$ 45.00
Bonfires	\$35.00
Open Burning Residential	\$25.00
Open Burning Commercial	\$100.00
Tents and Air Supported Structures	\$40.00
Tents and Air Supported Structures – After hour inspection	\$80.00

**Use of:**

Division 1.1 and 1.2 Explosives	\$200.00
Division 1.3 Explosive	\$200.00
Division 1.4 and 1.5 Explosives	\$100.00
Pyrotechnic Special Effects Materials	\$100.00

**Construction of:**

Underground Tank Removal (Per Tank)	\$85.00
Underground Tank Abandoned (Per Tank)	\$75.00
Underground Tank Installation (Per Tank)	\$85.00
Underground Tank Testing	\$75.00
Aboveground Tank Removal (Per Tank)	\$75.00
Aboveground Tank Installation (Per Tank)	\$50.00
Sprinklers (New System Installation)	\$100.00 + \$10.00 per 1000 sq. ft.
Fire Alarm (New System Installation)	\$100.00 + \$ 10.00 per 1000 sq. ft.
Suppression Systems	\$50.00
Fire Pump and Related Equipment	\$85.00
Private Fire Hydrants	\$35.00
Private Fire Service Mains	\$150.00
Sprinkler System – Upfit Only	\$100.00
Fire Alarm System – Upfit Only	\$100.00
Sprinkler System Inspection (Alteration-No Permit fee)	\$45.00
Fire Alarm Inspection (Alteration-No Permit fee)	\$45.00
Industrial Ovens	\$75.00
Standpipe Installation Per Riser	\$75.00

**Section 2. Commercial Construction Fees**

**WILMINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT PLAN REVIEW FEE SCHEDULE  
COMMERCIAL – NEW CONSTRUCTION**

Total Cost for Project = Permit Fee + Inspection Fee(s)

A. Plan review fee for Commercial – New Construction shall be based on the following formula computation.

a = Total gross building floor area of construction                      b = Fee per square foot (from table below)

0 – 5000 sq ft	$a \times b = \text{Plan review fee}$
5,001 – 15,000 sq ft	$(a \times b \times .75) + (1,250 \times b) = \text{Plan review fee}$
Over 15,000 sq ft	$(a \times b \times .50) + (5,000 \times b) = \text{Plan review fee}$

<b><u>Occupancy Type</u></b>	<b><u>Fee per sq ft</u></b>
Residential	0.05
Storage	0.035
Assembly	0.06
Institutional	0.06
Business	0.06
Mercantile	0.05
Hazardous	0.05
Factory/Industrial	0.04
Education	0.065

- B. Additions: Use Schedule A above (Minimum \$45.00) whichever is greater + Inspection Fee(s)
- C. Upfits: Use Schedule A above  $\times .75 = \text{plan review fee} + \text{inspection fee(s)}$ .
- D. Shell: Use Schedule A above  $\times .90 = \text{plan review fee} + \text{inspection fee(s)}$ .
- E. Mobile Buildings: \$45.00 + Inspection Fee(s)
- F. Accessory Structures: \$45.00 + Inspection Fee(s)
- G. Minimum Permit Fee: \$45.00 + Inspection Fee(s)
- H. Commercial Insp Fee: \$45.00 per inspection (Maximum 1 hour per inspection)



### Cancellations, Refunds, Revocations, Expired Permits, Permit Extensions:

- 1 - Permits may be canceled but are non-refundable “if work has commenced”.
- 2 - Refunds: 25% or the minimum permit fee (whichever is greater) will be retained when requested to cancel a permit “if work has not commenced”.
- 3- Permits are subject to revocation without any refund if any part of the application is fraudulent.
- 4- All permits which have expired are non-refundable.
- 5- An active permit which may soon expire and construction has not commenced may be extended.

For Residential projects the extension fee is 50% of the cost of a new permit fee (min.\$35.00).  
Not to exceed \$250.00.

For Commercial projects the extension fee will be at the rate of 50% of the cost of a new permit fee.

- 6- An inspection fee will be assessed if an inspection is not cancelled by 7:00am on the day it is scheduled.

### **Section 3. Hazardous Materials and Substance Abatement**

All of the following fees apply as necessary for all incidents pursuant to the Wilmington City Code/Fire Prevention Code, Sec 3-24 (Hazardous material and substance abatement). However, a deduct or waiver of applicable retainer fees paid by the responsible party to the City for all incidents shall apply:

#### **FEE**

1.	State Hazardous Materials Response Unit	\$350.00 per hour or any part thereof
2.	Haz-Mat Battalion Chief/Coordinator	\$45.00 per hour or any part thereof
3.	Engine Company Response	\$200.00 per hour or any part thereof
4.	Tower/Truck Company Response	\$225.00 per hour or any part thereof
5.	Squad Company	\$150.00 per hour or any part thereof
6.	Haz-Mat Support Vehicle/Trailer	\$50.00 per hour or any part thereof
7.	Suppression Battalion Chief (if needed)	\$35.00 per hour or any part thereof
8.	Fireboat 32'	\$300.00 per hour or any part thereof
9.	Rescue Boat 18'	\$50.00 per hour or any part thereof
10.	Mobile Light Unit	\$50.00 per hour or any part thereof
11.	City Hazardous Material Response Unit	\$200.00 per hour or any part thereof
12.	Materials/Supplies Consumed	Actual Replacement
13.	Off Duty Hire-Back (personnel Off-Duty)	\$40.00 per hour
14.	Any other actual costs of abatement and remediation of incident not set out above.	
15.	Fireboat 50'	\$500.00 per hour or any part thereof

**Section 4. Charges for Special Tests, Inspections and Other Services Provided by the Fire Department.**

Fees for tests, inspections and other services provided by the Fire Department pursuant to Chapter 3 of the City Code shall be as follows:

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>FEE</b>
ABC Permit	\$ 50.00
Fire Flow Test	\$100.00
Day Care State Inspection	45.00
Filling Swimming Pools	\$200.00 + Water Charges
Witness Fire Flow Test	\$45.00
Commercial Construction Inspection	\$45.00
Reinspection fee for State mandated inspections	\$65.00
Standby Assistance (Squad)	\$150.00 Per Hour
Standby Assistance (Tower)	\$225.00 Per Hour
Standby Assistance (Engine Company)	\$200.00 Per Hour
Standby Assistance (Fire Inspector/Suppression Personnel)	\$40.00 Per Hour
Re-review of submitted plans	\$40.00
Transporting Division 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 Explosives	\$200.00
Standpipe Test Per Riser	\$75.00
Fire Pump Test	\$150.00
Street Fair Permit	\$50.00
Fireboat 32'	\$300.00 Per hour
Rescue Boat 18'	\$50.00 Per hour
Mobile Light Unit	\$50.00 Per hour
Materials/Supplies Consumed	Actual Replacement
Fireboat 50'	\$500.00 Per hour