



UNION COUNTY BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT

FEE SCHEDULE

August 6, 1999
Revisions Effective August 1, 2013

RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNITS

*Permits/new and additions, (attached, heated or unheated): Permit fees for building, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical permits shall be determined by multiplying the total gross building floor area, (under roof), by a cost per square foot of \$0.513.

*Permits/new and additions, (detached, unheated): Permit fees for building and electrical permits shall be determined by multiplying the total gross building floor area by a cost per square foot of \$0.146.

*These permits will be affected by a \$10.00 surcharge effective October 1, 1991 as mandated by House Bill 37 – “Homeowners Recovery Fund” (G.S. 87-15.6)

COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

Permit fees for building, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical permits shall be determined by multiplying the total gross building floor area by the cost per square foot as shown below:

OCCUPANCY GROUP	12,000 SF & LESS	> THAN 12,000 SF
Assembly	\$0.41	\$0.37
Business	\$0.28	\$0.24
Educational	\$0.41	\$0.37
Factory/Industrial	\$0.22	\$0.18
Hazardous	\$0.18	\$0.14
Institutional	\$0.41	\$0.38
Mercantile	\$0.19	\$0.16
Residential	\$0.24	\$0.22
Storage	\$0.31	\$0.24
Utility	\$0.15	\$0.12
Plan Review Fee	\$0.03	\$0.02

ELECTRICAL SCHEDULE

POWER SERVICE or SUB PANEL

0	-	100	AMPS.....	\$82.50
101	-	200	AMPS.....	\$125.00
201	-	400	AMPS.....	\$165.00
401	-	600	AMPS.....	\$210.00
601	-	1000	AMPS	\$250.00
1001	-	2000	AMPS.....	\$330.00
2001	-	ABOVE	AMPS.....	\$370.00
Wiring for Mechanical or Plumbing Change out.....				\$60.00
Identical Replacement of Equipment				\$60.00
Fee for All Other Installations				\$60.00

SOLAR FARMS

Per megawatt up to 5MW.....	\$1000.00
Per megawatt up to 5-10MW.....	\$850.00
Per megawatt over 10MW	\$775.00

MECHANICAL SCHEDULE

Heat Pump, Gas Pack, Furnace with or w/o AC etc.....	\$60.00
Gas Water Heater, Light, Line etc.....	\$60.00
Fee for ALL Other Installations.....	\$60.00

PLUMBING SCHEDULE

Water heater	\$60.00
Fee for All Other Installations	\$60.00
Miscellaneous Fixtures	\$60.00

SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES – CONTINUED

Change of Contractor	\$60.00
MOBILE HOME SETUP:	
Single:	\$240.00
Double:	\$270.00
In Ground Pools	\$210.00
Above Ground Pools	\$70.00
MODULAR HOME (Residential)	70% of Residential Rate
MOVE-IN RESIDENCE	70% of Residential Rate
RESIDENTIAL RENOVATIONS.....	Area sq. ft. x \$.513 x 50%
MODULAR UNITS (Commercial)	Sq. ft. x fee of occupancy x 70%
CONSTRUCTION TRAILER.....	\$60 per trade
SHELL BUILDING (initial permit).....	Sq. ft. x fee of Utility Occupancy
UPFIT OF SHELL BUILDING.....	Sq. ft. x fee of Occupancy
RENOVATIONS.....	Area sq. ft. x occupancy fee x75%
DAY CARE, THERAPEUTIC, & GROUP HOME INSPECTIONS	\$60.00
OCCUPANCY PERMIT (Tenant change only)	\$60.00
CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY PERMIT (Change of Use)	\$60.00
CONDITIONAL POWER	\$60.00 per trade
DEMOLITION PERMITS	\$60.00
SIGNS	\$120.00
MINIMUM FEE	\$60.00
STARTING WORK WITHOUT PERMIT	Double Permit Fee
RE-INSPECTION FEE	\$80.00
ZONING PERMIT	\$40.00
BUILDING PERMIT SIGN CARD	\$10.00
APPLICATION FEE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS	\$800.00
ARCHIVE RESEARCH	\$25.00
REFUNDS ON PERMITS (No refunds after first inspection)	\$60.00

SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES – CONTINUED

RETURNED CHECK	\$25.00
STATE RECOVERY FUND CHARGED TO CONTRACTORS	\$10.00

Before permit is issued for any work, contractor shall pay the amount due for the permit unless the contractor provided a minimum of \$1,000 bond required in order to be billed monthly.

Additional inspections trips made necessary through the failure of any person, firm or corporation in charge of work, to give specific locations of work to be inspected, or to otherwise create conditions making such additional inspections or trips necessary, are hereby designed “Extra Inspections.” For each such “Extra Inspection”, a fee of \$80.00 shall be imposed for each offense.

A permit issued pursuant to G.S. 153-A-357 expires six months, or any lesser time fixed by ordinance of the county, after the date of issuance if the work authorized by the permit has not commenced. If after commencement the work is discontinued for a period of 12 months, the permit therefor immediately expires. No work authorized by a permit that has expired may thereafter be performed until a new permit has been secured. (G.S. 153A-358)

Therefore, the following fees will be charged for permits that are allowed to expire:

1. Permit expiring six months after issuance
 - A. A new, second, permit will be issued within six months of the expiration date of the first Permit for a fee of \$60.00.
 - B. Time that lapses beyond six months of the expiration date will require the full amount of fees To be charged.
2. Permit expiring after a year with no work being done
 - A. A new, second, permit will be issued with the full amount of fees being charged.