



# Building Code Ordinance Amendment

## Section 11-1-11 Fees for Permits



ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION  
11-1-11  
OF THE  
CODE OF ORDINANCES  
CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

**Be it ordained by the Council of the City of  
Harrisonburg, Virginia:**

**That Section 11-1-11 Fees for Permits is amended as shown:**

Permit fees, payable to the City, shall be as set forth below: ~~by the city's annual appropriation ordinances.~~

(a) Building Permits

- (1) A nonrefundable state levy fee of 2% shall be added to each permit.
- (2) A nonrefundable processing fee of \$30.00 shall be paid at the time of application submittal. This fee will be subtracted from the total permit cost when the permit is paid in full.

Fees shall be based upon the combined total value of all construction, materials, and labor as set forth below:

  - i. Value: \$0.00 - \$2,000.00: \$60.00.
  - ii. Value: \$2,000.01 and above: \$60.00 for the first \$2,000.00 plus \$6.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof.
- (3) For each accessory structure (detached garages, sheds, etc.): As set forth in subsection (2).
- (4) Swimming Pools:
  - i. Residential: As set forth in subsection (2).
  - ii. Commercial: As set forth in subsection (2) or \$180.00 minimum.
- (5) For moving any building or structure: As set forth in subsection (2) or \$180.00 minimum.
- (6) For demolition: As set forth in subsection (2).
- (7) For each elevator, escalator, lift, or moving walk: As set forth in subsection (2).

- (8) For each set of supplemental or amended plans requiring review (i.e. fire suppression, insulation, truss drawings, or other): As set forth in subsection (2).
- (9) For each temporary certificate of occupancy issued for Residential (R-5): \$80.00 per 45 days.
- (10) For each temporary certificate of occupancy issued for Commercial: \$180.00 per 45 days.
- (11) For each certificate of occupancy issued for existing buildings that have no certificate of occupancy and require inspections: \$90.00.
- (12) For each copy of an existing certificate of occupancy or replacement of an existing certificate of occupancy: \$10.00.
- (13) Preliminary plan review: \$120.00 per submission.
- (14) Miscellaneous building permit fees:

  - i. Resubmittal of rejected plans for re-review: \$60.00.
  - ii. Where no specific fee is listed, the fee shall be: As set forth in subsection (2).
  - iii. For each re-inspection: \$50.00, which shall be paid prior to the additional inspection being performed.

(b) Electrical Permits

- (1) A nonrefundable state levy fee of 2% shall be added to each permit. All fees shall be paid at the time the permit is issued.
- (2) Residential (new):

  - i. Single-family dwellings: \$54.00.
  - ii. Duplex single-family dwellings (per unit): \$54.00.
  - iii. Single-family townhouse (per townhouse): \$54.00.
  - iv. Single-family condominium (per unit): \$54.00.
  - v. Multi-family apartments (per unit): \$54.00.

- (3) Residential and Commercial additions and alterations and new commercial.  
Fees shall be as set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- (4) Miscellaneous Electrical Permit Fees:

  - i. For each re-inspection: \$50.00, which shall be paid prior to the additional inspection being performed.
  - ii. Where no specific fee is listed for a project, the fee shall be: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.

(c) Mechanical Permits

(1) A nonrefundable state levy fee of 2% shall be added to each permit. All fees shall be paid at the time the permit is issued.

(2) Residential (new):

- i. Single family dwellings: \$54.00.
- ii. Duplex single-family dwellings (per unit): \$54.00.
- iii. Single-family townhouse (per townhouse): \$54.00.
- iv. Single-family condominium (per unit): \$54.00.
- v. Multi-family apartments (per unit): \$54.00.
- vi. For secondary heat source (complete) in any residence (i.e. gas logs, wood stoves, solar photovoltaic, hydronic, etc.): \$36.00 additional.

(3) Residential and commercial additions and alterations and new commercial:

- i. Fees shall be as set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- ii. For each natural gas service: \$18.00.
- iii. For each LP gas service: \$18.00.
- iv. For each furnace or boiler: \$18.00.
- v. For each residential fuel oil tank installed (above or below ground): \$18.00.
- vi. For underground storage tanks: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section or \$90.00 minimum.
- vii. For above ground storage tanks: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section or \$90.00 minimum.
- viii. For secondary heat sources (i.e. gas logs, wood stoves, etc.): As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- ix. Abandonment of underground storage tanks: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- x. For each range hood installed: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- xi. For each exhaust hood installed (range, dishwasher, etc.): As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- xii. For each hood suppression system installed: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.

(4) Miscellaneous Mechanical Permit Fees:

- i. For each re-inspection: \$50.00, which shall be paid prior to the additional inspection being performed.
- ii. Where no specific fee is listed for a project, the fee shall be: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- iii. Administrative fee for all other requests not specifically listed: \$60.00.

(d) Plumbing Permits:

(1) A non-refundable state levy fee of 2% shall be added to each permit. All fees shall be paid at the time the permit is issued.

(2) Residential (new):

- i. Single Family Dwellings: \$54.00.
- ii. Duplex single-family dwellings (per unit): \$54.00.
- iii. Single-family townhouse (per townhouse): \$54.00.
- iv. Single-family condominium (per unit): \$54.00.
- v. Multi-family apartments (per unit): \$54.00.

(3) Residential and commercial additions and alterations and new commercial:

- i. For issuing each permit: \$60.00.
- ii. For each fixture connected to the sanitary sewer: \$6.00.
- iii. For each building sewer being replaced or repaired: \$6.00.
- iv. For each water service (from the meter to the building, or portion thereof) being replaced or repaired: \$6.00.
- v. For each water heater being installed or replaced: \$6.00.
- vi. For each septic tank and seepage pit or drain field: \$30.00.

(4) Miscellaneous Plumbing Permit Fees:

- i. For each re-inspection: \$50.00, which shall be paid prior to the additional inspection being performed.
- ii. Where no specific fee is listed, the fee shall be: As set forth in subsection (a)(2) of this section.
- iii. Administrative fee for all other requests not specifically listed: \$60.00.

# Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment to Section 11-1-11.

