

**16-219 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL**

**Chapter 1: FEE SCHEDULES FOR PLANS EXAMINATION**

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**SUMMARY:** This rule establishes the fees for examination of plans for construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, sprinkler systems, and barrier-free construction. The fee schedules established by this rule cover the following areas:

**1. SCHEDULE A: PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE FOR PLANS EXAMINATION OF CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS**

<b>FEE AMOUNT</b>	<b>CONSTRUCTION COST</b>
\$ 25.00	UNDER \$ 10,000.00
50.00	OVER 10,000.00 UNDER 20,000.00
75.00	OVER 20,000.00 UNDER 50,000.00
100.00	OVER 50,000.00 UNDER 100,000.00
150.00	OVER 100,000.00 UNDER 500,000.00
200.00	OVER 500,000.00 UNDER 1,500,000.00
250.00	OVER 1,500,000.00 UNDER 2,250,000.00
350.00	OVER 2,250,000.00 UNDER 3,000,000.00
450.00	OVER 3,000,000.00
\$ 50.00	Fee for review requiring approval letter only. (For use only when a permit is not required)

The fee schedule for new construction, reconstruction, repairs or renovations is 1.5/10 of 1% of the cost to construct or reconstruct the portion of the project that is subject to State Fire Marshal review.

The fee for review of a plan for new construction, reconstruction, repairs or renovations of a public school may not exceed \$450.00 and is set forth in the following rule.

Due to limited storage space and to further local, state and national security and safety interests, electronic submission is encouraged.

**Explanatory Note:** Pursuant to ~~25 M.R.S.A. §2450~~, the fee for *new* construction is ~~5¢ per square foot for occupied spaces and 2¢ per square foot for bulk storage occupancies~~, except that the fee for review of a plan for new construction of a public school may not exceed \$450.00. The fee schedule for reconstruction, repairs or renovations is based on the cost of the project may not exceed \$450.00 and is set forth in further detail in the following rule.

## 2. SCHEDULE B: PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE FOR PLANS EXAMINATION OF FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

\$ 25.00	for each dwelling unit of each NFPA 13D system.
\$100.00	for each fire pump installation, where the fire pump is listed for fire service
\$ 1.00	for each fire sprinkler head in new systems or addition to existing systems
\$ .50	for each relocated sprinkler head
\$ 50.00 extra	for preliminary permission to begin installation before the full submittal can be received
\$100.00	minimum for permits other than for NFPA 13D systems and preliminary permission

Permits are not required for maintenance replacement of heads, including recall programs, where there is no change to the pipe length, pipe type, system type or occupancy / hazard. If a job involves more than this, then the fee applies only to the other work. Plan reviews will not begin until the appropriate fee is received.

### RESUBMITTAL FEE

An additional fee of \$ 50.00 will be charged for every submittal that is required to follow-up with information that was incomplete and/or inaccurate in the original submittal, either of which delays the permitting process. (This may be due to critical information that is lacking or in error on the blueprints/CAD drawings, hydraulic calculations, or application form. This fee is not to be charged for missing "non-essential information" or when there is a note explaining why the critical information is missing, and when it will be supplied.) It is also to be paid when "as-built" drawings are required upon job completion, or when a permit has been amended, because both of these require additional processing. If a full submittal is required because the original submittal is rejected, then another full permit fee will be required instead of the \$ 50.00 resubmittal fee.

Any commercial or industrial installation over \$ 1,000,000.00 shall require review by a fire protection engineer at additional expense to the fire sprinkler contractor.

**ARCHIVE / STORAGE FEE**

An additional fee of \$ 50.00 will be charged for each submittal after the fourth submission per license year (per contractor) that is not submitted in electronic format. Fire sprinkler permit submittals are stored for reference, and because of limited storage space, the electronic submission is encouraged.

Drawings may be submitted as e-mail attachments in AutoCAD as dwg files. Larger files can be zipped, or mailed on CD disc. Calc's may be sent as pdf files, or as Hydratec files. The application form may be sent as an e-mail attachment in AutoCAD as a dwg file, or it may be sent as a hardcopy without this storage fee. The check may only be received through the mail.

**3. SCHEDULE C: PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE FOR PLANS EXAMINATION OF BARRIER FREE CONSTRUCTION**

FEE AMOUNT	CONSTRUCTION COST	
\$ 25.00	UNDER	\$ 100,000.00
50.00	OVER	100,000.00
	BUT LESS THAN	350,000.00
150.00	OVER	350,000.00
	BUT LESS THAN	600,000.00
200.00	OVER	600,000.00
	BUT LESS THAN	2,000,000.00
250.00	OVER	2,000,000.00

**CHECKS PAYABLE TO: TREASURER, STATE OF MAINE**


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STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 25 M.R.S.A §§2450, 2452; 32 M.R.S.A §1374

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