

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-41

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING NEW AND UPDATED FIRE DEPARTMENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PERMIT, PLAN REVIEW, AND INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, BMC 17.20.020 requires the City to establish fire permit and inspection fees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has established the policy that permit and inspection fees shall cover the costs of providing such services and that these fees shall be periodically reviewed and updated to reflect the actual cost of providing these services; and

WHEREAS, the last update to Fire Department's fees contributing to the Development Services Fund was by Resolution 2005-28 on June 13, 2005; and

WHEREAS, fees need to be established for construction permits, plan review, and inspections identified in BMC 17.20 and International Fire Code Section 105.7.

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the proposed fee schedules for fire permits and inspections as attached and finds they should be approved;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM:

The attached fire permit, plan review, and inspection fee schedules, as provided for in BMC 17.20.020 Section 105.2(b) are hereby adopted.

PASSED by the Council this 7th day of December, 2009.



Council President

APPROVED by me this 16th day of December, 2009.



Mayor

ATTEST: 

Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Office of the City Attorney
Resolution for Development Services Permit Fees.docx (1)

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Fire Department Development Services Fees

Automatic Fire-Extinguishing Systems

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to a automatic fire-extinguishing system. Maintenance is performed in accordance with this code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

NFPA 13	Installation	\$520 for a system that includes up to 25 sprinkler heads	
		\$120 for every additional dry system	
		\$60 for every hose outlet	
		\$4 for each additional sprinkler greater than 25.	
NFPA 13	Modification 1-10	1 - 10 Sprinkler(s)	\$180
NFPA 13	Modification 11-20	11 - 20 Sprinklers	\$240
NFPA 13	Modification 21+	21 or more Sprinklers	\$240 for the first 20 then \$4 for each additional sprinkler
NFPA 13-R	Installation	\$520 for a system that includes up to 25 sprinkler heads	
		\$120 for every additional dry system	
		\$60 for every hose outlet	
		\$4 for each additional sprinkler head greater than 25.	
NFPA 13-R	Modification 1-10	1 - 10 Sprinkler(s)	\$180
NFPA 13-R	Modification 11-20	11 - 20 Sprinklers	\$240
NFPA 13-R	Modification 21+	21 or more Sprinklers	\$240 for the first 20 then \$4 for each additional sprinkler
NFPA 13-D	Installation, Required	\$360	
NFPA 13-D	Installation, Voluntary	\$180	
NFPA 13-D	Modification	\$120	
Wet Chemical	Installation	\$360	
Wet Chemical	Modification	\$180	
Other Chemical Systems	Installation	\$480	
Other Chemical Systems	Modification	\$240	

Battery Systems

A permit is required to install stationary storage battery systems having a liquid capacity of more than 50 gallons.

Battery Systems	Installation	\$360
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Compressed Gases

When compressed gases in use or storage exceed the amounts listed in Table 105.6.8, a construction permit is required to install, repair damage to, abandon, remove, place temporarily out of service, or close or substantially modify a compressed gas system.

Compressed Gases	Installation	\$420
Compressed Gases	Modification	\$210
Compressed Gases	Other Activities	\$120

Fire Alarm & Detection

A Construction Permit is required for installation of or modification to fire alarm and detection systems and related equipment. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Fire Alarm	Installation	\$360 for systems that include up to 30 components.	
		\$120 additional when the system includes voice evacuation capability	
		\$4 additional for each component greater than 30.	
Fire Alarm	Modification 1-5	1 - 5 Component(s)	\$120
Fire Alarm	Modification 6-10	6 - 10 Components	\$180
Fire Alarm	Modification 11-20	11 - 20 Components	\$240
Fire Alarm	Modification 21-30	21 - 30 Components	\$300
Fire Alarm	Modification 31+	31 or more Components	\$300 for the first 30 then \$4 for each additional components.

Fire Apparatus Access Roads

A construction permit is required for the installation or modification of a fire apparatus access road.

Road	All Activities	\$120
		\$5 additional for each required marking
		\$5 additional for each bollard group
		\$5 additional for each gate or barricade
		\$60 additional for each security gate
		\$360 additional for each bridge or elevated surface.

Fire Pumps & Related Equipment

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to fire pumps and related fuel tanks, jockey pumps, controllers, and generators. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Fire Pump	Installation	\$600
Fire Pump	Modification	\$360

Flammable & Combustible Liquids

A construction permit is required (1) to repair or modify a pipeline for the transportation of flammable or combustible liquids, (2) to install, construct or alter tank vehicles, equipment, tanks, plants, terminals, wells, fuel-dispensing stations, refineries, distilleries and similar facilities where flammable and combustible liquids are produced, processed, transported, stored, dispensed or used, (3) to install, alter, remove, abandon, or otherwise dispose of a flammable or combustible liquid tank.

Pipeline	Repair/Modify	\$120, Emergency Response Coordination Only
Vehicles- Equipment-	Construct/Alter	\$540
Tanks	Installation	\$360
Tanks	Other Activities	\$180

Hazardous Materials

A construction permit is required to install, repair damage to, abandon, remove, place temporarily out of service, or close or substantially modify a storage facility or other area regulated by Chapter 27 when the hazardous materials in use or storage exceed the amount listed in Table 105.6.20.

Exceptions (1) Routine maintenance or (2) for emergency repair work performed in an emergency basis, application for permit shall be made within two working days of commencement of work.

Haz-Mat	Installation	\$360
Haz-Mat	Other Activities	\$180

Industrial Ovens

A construction permit is required for installation or industrial ovens covered by Chapter 21. Exceptions (1) Routine maintenance or (2) for repair work performed on an emergency basis, application for permit shall be made within two working days of commencement of work.

Oven	Installation	\$240
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LP-Gas

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to an LP-gas system.

LP-Gas	Installation	\$240
LP-Gas	Modification	\$120

Private Fire Hydrants

A construction permit is required for the installation or modification of private fire hydrants.

Fire Hydrant	Installation	\$240
Fire Hydrant	Modification	\$120

Private Fire Service Main

A construction permit is required for the installation or modification of a private fire service main and appurtenances. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Fireline	Installation	\$480
Fireline	Modification	\$240

Spray or Dipping

A construction permit is required to install or modify a spray room, dip tank, or booth.

Spray or Dip	Installation	\$240
Spray or Dip	Modification	\$120

Standpipe Systems

A construction permit is required for the installation, modification, or removal from service of a standpipe system. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Standpipe	Installation	\$480 for up to six hose outlets
		\$60 additional for each hose outlet greater than six.
		\$120 additional when the system includes pressure reducing hose station(s).
Standpipe	Other Activities	\$240

Temporary Membrane Structures, Tents, and Canopies

A construction permit is required to erect an air-supported temporary membrane structure or tent having an area in excess of 200 square feet, or canopy in excess of 400 square feet. Exceptions (1) Tents used exclusively for recreational camping purposes, (2) Funeral tents and curtains or extensions attached thereto, when used for funeral purposes, (3) Fabric canopies and awnings open on all sides which comply with all of the following: (3.1) Individual canopies shall have a minimum size of 700 square feet, (3.2) The aggregate area of multiple canopies placed side by side without a fire break clearance of not less than 12 feet shall not exceed 700 square feet total, (3.3) A minimum clearance of 12 feet to structures and other tents shall be maintained.

Air-Supported Structure	\$180
Tent	\$180
Canopy	\$180

Re-inspection

The fee is applied to a permit when such portion of work for which inspection is called is not complete, approved drawings and/or permit is not on site, or when the corrections have not been made by the required date.

	\$120
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After-hours Inspection

The fee is applied to a permit for inspections made outside the Fire Inspector's normal work schedule.

	\$180/hour, two hour minimum
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Miscellaneous Service

The fee is applied to a permit for service provided where there is no fee specifically indicated.

	\$120/hour, one hour minimum
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Additional Plan Review

The fee is applied to a permit for plan review required by changes, additions, amendments, or revisions to applications or permits.

	\$120/hour, one hour minimum
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Single Family Access & Water

The fee is applied to a permit for the review of compliance with the access and water requirements of the International Fire Code.

	\$30
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Stop Work Posting

The fee is applied when work is initiated without a permit.

	\$480
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Commercial Building

The fee is applied to commercial building permits for the review of compliance with the requirements of the International Fire Code.

TOTAL VALUATION	
\$0 to \$2,000	\$0 (No Fee)
\$2,001 to \$10,000	\$35
\$10,001 to \$20,000	\$100
\$20,001 to \$50,000	\$210
\$50,001 to \$100,000	\$300
\$100,001 to \$250,000	\$400
\$250,001 to \$500,000	\$600
\$500,001 to \$1,000,000	\$1,000
\$1,000,001 and up	\$1,000 plus 0.01% of valuation over \$1,000,000