

Codes Fee Schedule

The total permit cost for a building permit includes:

Zoning Examination Fee of \$25

Building Valuation Fee: See below (Valuation Table is on last page)

Codes Tech Fee: 10% of the Building Valuation Fee

Building Plan Review Fee: See below

16.28.110 Fee schedule-Building permits. A. Building Permit Fees.

The fee for building permits shall be determined as set forth in this section.

1. Building Permit Fees for Residential Construction based on valuation. Residential construction includes one-family and two-family residential construction and townhouses as defined by the 2018 Edition of the International Residential Code, but not multi-family construction shall be \$5.00 per \$1,000 total valuation.

2. Building Permit Fees for Commercial Construction and all other Construction other than one family and two-family residential construction and townhouses as defined by the 2018 Edition of the International Residential Code, shall be based on valuation.

TOTAL VALUATION

FEES

\$0.00 to \$2,000.00

\$40.39

\$2000.01 to \$50,000.00 \$40.39 for the first \$2,000.00 plus \$6.92 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00.

\$50,000.01 to \$100,000.00 \$372.71 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$5.57 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.

\$100,000.01 to \$500,000.00 \$651.38 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$4.19 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00.

\$500,000.01 and up \$2,326.84 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$2.79 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof.

B. Moving of Buildings or Structures. For the moving of any building or structure where such necessitates the transportation of such building or structure in public rights-of-way or on public streets, the fee shall be two hundred and fifty-two dollars (\$252.00); except, that such fee shall not be charged for the moving of temporary construction office sheds, mobile homes or house trailers.

C. Signs. For the erection, construction or alteration of any sign, billboard, awning, marquee or similar structure, the fee shall be determined from Section A. 2. above using the schedule for commercial construction. The minimum fee for a permit to erect a sign shall be fifty-five dollars (\$55.00).

D. Trailers and Mobile Homes. For each trailer or mobile home located on an individual site, lot, trailer park, mobile home subdivision or apartment complex, there shall be a fee of fifty-five dollars (\$55.00), such fee to be charged on the original location of a trailer or mobile home on the site. For each succeeding trailer or mobile home moved onto a lot not within a trailer park, mobile home subdivision or apartment complex, there shall be required a use and occupancy permit.

E. Certificate of Occupancy and Compliance. For the issuance of a use and occupancy permit or certificate of compliance where there has been no building permit issued, the fee shall be fifty-five dollars (\$55.00).

F. Re-inspection Fee. For a re-inspection, the fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00).

G. Plans Examination Fees.

1. For the examination for code compliance of plans, specifications, drawings and other data, the plans examination fee shall be:

TOTAL VALUATION

FEES

\$0.00 to \$275,000.00 one-half of the building permit fee as set forth in subsection A of this section.

\$275,000.01 to \$5,000,000.00 \$1,338.54 for the first \$275,000.00 plus \$0.18 per thousand for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$5,000,000.00.

\$5,000,000.01 and above \$2,181.82 for the first \$5,000,000.00 plus \$0.07 per thousand for each additional thousand or fraction thereof.

Such plan-examination fee is in addition to the building permit fee and in no case shall this be refunded even if there is not a subsequent building permit issued. If an issued building permit is due a refund as per Section 16.28.140, in no case shall the plans examination fee be refunded.

2. Exceptions from plans examination fee:

- a. One- and two-family dwelling building permits;
- b. Townhouse building permits;
- c. Demolition permits;
- d. Blasting permits;

H. Use verification letter. The fee for a letter to confirm the zoning designation and entitlements within the designation shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00).

I. Beer and liquor letter. The fee for a letter to confirm the distance requirements pertaining to the sale of beer and liquor as required by state law shall be forty dollars (\$40.00).

16.12.220 Fee schedule-Plumbing Permits and Fixture classifications.

A. No plumbing permit shall be held valid until the fees prescribed in this section shall have been paid, nor shall an amendment or change to an existing permit be approved until such additional fees as may be due shall have been paid.

B. Permit fees for the installation of plumbing systems, devices, equipment and fixtures, including but not limited to the installation of fixtures, sewer connections, septic tanks, hot water heaters, repairs and alterations to existing plumbing installations and systems, shall be as follows:

Minimum fee (each permit) ... \$75.00

*Plumbing fixtures (each fixture) ... \$11.00

Each additional building drain ... \$32.00

Sewer connection ... \$80.00

Water service connection ... \$80.00

Septic tank and disposal field ... \$80.00

Hot water heater ... \$43.00

Reinspection fee (each) ... \$50.00

* Each fixture outlet shall be counted as one fixture in figuring the total permit fee, whether or not the fixture is actually set at the time the plumbing system is installed.

C. The classifications listed below, among others, shall each be counted as one fixture:

Area drains;

Backflow preventers;

Baptisteries;

Bathtubs (with or without overhead shower);

Boiler blowoff tanks;

Combination sink and tray;

Commercial icemakers.

Dental lavatory;

Dental unit or cuspidor;

Diluting tanks and interceptors;

Dishwasher (fixed unit);
Disposal units (commercial);
Drinking fountains;
Floor drains;
Grease traps and interceptors;
Kitchen sinks;
Lavatory;
Pools, fountains and aquaria;
Roof drains;
Shower drains;
Slop sinks
Solar panels when connected to plumbing system;
Sump pumps;
Swimming pools;
Urinals;
Washers (clothes, domestic, fixed drains);
Washers (commercial, fixed drains);
Water closets;
Water tanks.

16.16.400 Fee Schedule-Gas/mechanical permits and Classification of appliances.

A. No gas/mechanical permit shall be held valid until the fees prescribed in this section shall have been paid, nor shall an amendment or change to an existing permit be approved until such additional fees as may be due shall have been paid.

B. Permit fees for the installation of gas/mechanical systems, devices, equipment and fixtures, including but not limited to the installation of fixtures, repairs and alterations to existing gas/mechanical installations and systems, shall be as follows:

1. Fee schedule.

Minimum fee (each permit) ... \$75.00

*Gas and/or mechanical appliance (each in excess of first appliance), residential ... \$11.00

*Gas and/or mechanical appliance (each in excess of first appliance), commercial ... \$16.00

Gas meter connection ... \$11.00

Hot water heater ... \$21.00

Fuel Piping (under ground fuel lines) ... \$50.00

Re-inspection fee (each) ... \$50.00

* Each appliance outlet shall be counted as one appliance in figuring the total permit fee, whether or not the appliance is actually installed at the time the gas/mechanical system is installed.

2. In addition, fees for heating, ventilating, ductwork (installation without heating/cooling equipment), air-conditioning and refrigeration systems or alterations or replacement and/or additions shall also be based upon total Btuh and/or kilowatts input of all appliances at the rate of thirty-two dollars (\$32.00) per one hundred thousand Btuh or fraction thereof.

C. The classifications listed below shall each be counted as one fixture, equipment or appliance:

Air-conditioning unit;

Air handling unit;

Alt. fuel system;

Boiler;

Broiler;

Collector, dust etc.;

Condensing unit or condenser;

Cooling tower;

Conversion burner;

Dryer;

Duct heater;

Duct system;

Exhaust fan, hood;

Factory built fireplace or insert;

Fire or smoke damper;

Fryer;

Furnace;

Gas logs unit;
Gas piping;
Grill or griddle;
Heat exchanger;
Humidifier or dehumidifier;
Incinerator;
Infrared heater;
Make up air unit;
Oven;
Package unit;
Pool or sauna heater;
Power venter;
Radon removal system;
Range or cook top unit;
Recirculating fan unit;
Refrigeration unit;
Rooftop unit;
Room heater;
Stationary gas engines, turbines;
Stove, solid fuel or laundry;
Tank, oil or LP;
Unit heater; Water heater or circulation tank.

16.20.250 Fee Schedule Electrical Permits.

A. No electrical permit shall be held valid until the fees prescribed in this section shall have been paid, nor shall an amendment or change to an existing permit be approved until such additional fees, as may be due, shall have been paid.

B. In addition to any other penalty imposed for failure to obtain a permit where electrical work of any type, for which a permit is required, is commenced before a permit is issued, the permit fees shall be tripled.

C. Permit fees for the installation of any electrical system or part thereof, including but not limited to the installation of both new electrical systems and additions, alterations and repairs to existing electrical systems, the installation of electrical fixtures, equipment and devices and appurtenances thereto, shall be as follows:

1. Lighting circuits or any circuit where outlets are intended to be installed for low- voltage holding devices or lamp-holding devices and receptacles for the attachment of small, portable electrical devices and appliances; 130 volts or less:

a. For the installation of 10 or fewer such outlets ... \$6.00

b. For additional outlets over 10, each ... \$1.00

2. Motors and generators:

One horsepower or less each ... \$2.00

Two to 10 horsepower, each ... \$8.00

Over 10 horsepower, each ... \$14.00

Motor generator sets ... \$20.00

3. Electric ranges:

Residential, each ... \$20.00

Commercial, each ... \$25.00

4. Water heaters:

Residential, each ... \$15.00

Commercial, each ... \$20.00

5. Electric heat and electrically heated appliances other than ranges and water heaters:

One to five kw, each ... \$8.00

Five to 10 kw, each ... \$14.00

Over 10 kw, each ... \$20.00

6. Electric dryers:

Residential, each ... \$10.00

Commercial, each ... \$14.00

7. Electric signs (excluding service), each ... \$20.00

8. Service, new installation, increasing size, or relocation, per meter ... \$12.00

9. Installation of any wiring, device, apparatus, appliance or equipment not specifically covered herein, such as but not limited to disconnects, 220 volt receptacles, each ... \$9.00

10. Distribution, lighting or switch panels:

200 amperes or less, each ... \$10.00

201 to 400 amperes, each ... \$20.00

401 to 800 amperes, each ... \$30.00

801 to 1600 amperes, each ... \$50.00

1601 to 3000 amperes, each ... \$75.00

3001 to 6000 amperes, each ... \$145.00

Each additional 100 amperes or fraction thereof ... \$3.00

11. Minimum fee (each permit) ... \$75.00 (Including permit for the installation of any electrical system or part thereof, including but not limited to the installation of both new electrical systems and additions, alterations and repairs to existing electrical systems, the installation of electrical fixtures, equipment and devices and appurtenances thereto, temporary services, etc.)

12. Reinspection fee (each) ... \$50.00

13. Service releases:

Residential, one-family or two-family, except condominium units, each service riser ... \$75.00

Residential, more than two-family, and condominium units, each service riser ... \$75.00

Commercial or industrial, each service riser ... \$102.00

14. Emergency re-connection of service, each ... \$102.00

The Fee Schedule Legislation can be found at:

BL2022-1215 :

[https://nashville.legistar.com/ViewReport.ashx?M=R&N=Master&GID=787&ID=5553814&GUID=B8892967-CC8C-439F-9D62-1C03A257D18A&Extra=WithText&Title=Legislation+Details+\(With+Text\)](https://nashville.legistar.com/ViewReport.ashx?M=R&N=Master&GID=787&ID=5553814&GUID=B8892967-CC8C-439F-9D62-1C03A257D18A&Extra=WithText&Title=Legislation+Details+(With+Text))

The Codes Tech Fee legislation can be found at:

BL2022-1254 :

[https://nashville.legistar.com/ViewReport.ashx?M=R&N=Master&GID=787&ID=5647904&GUID=AA53FE0E-947A-463B-A9C9-E1A2CBDA9AAB&Extra=WithText&Title=Legislation+Details+\(With+Text\)](https://nashville.legistar.com/ViewReport.ashx?M=R&N=Master&GID=787&ID=5647904&GUID=AA53FE0E-947A-463B-A9C9-E1A2CBDA9AAB&Extra=WithText&Title=Legislation+Details+(With+Text))

Building Valuation Data – FEBRUARY 2025

The International Code Council is pleased to provide the following Building Valuation Data (BVD) for its members. The BVD will be updated at six-month intervals, with the next update in August 2025. ICC strongly recommends that all jurisdictions and other interested parties actively evaluate and assess the impact of this BVD table before utilizing it in their current code enforcement related activities.

The BVD table provides the “average” construction costs per square foot, which can be used in determining permit fees for a jurisdiction. Permit fee schedules are addressed in Section 109.2 of the 2024 *International Building Code* (IBC) whereas Section 109.3 addresses building permit valuations. The permit fees can be established by using the BVD table and a Permit Fee Multiplier, which is based on the total construction value within the jurisdiction for the past year. The Square Foot Construction Cost table presents factors that reflect relative value of one construction classification/occupancy group to another so that more expensive construction is assessed greater permit fees than less expensive construction.

ICC has developed this data to aid jurisdictions in determining permit fees. It is important to note that while this BVD table does determine an estimated value of a building (i.e., Gross Area x Square Foot Construction Cost), this data is only intended to assist jurisdictions in determining their permit fees. This data table is not intended to be used as an estimating guide because the data only reflects average costs and is not representative of specific construction.

This degree of precision is sufficient for the intended purpose, which is to help establish permit fees so as to fund code compliance activities. This BVD table provides jurisdictions with a simplified way to determine the estimated value of a building that does not rely on the permit applicant to determine the cost of construction. Therefore, the bidding process for a particular job and other associated factors do not affect the value of a building for determining the permit fee. Whether a specific project is bid at a cost above or below the computed value of construction does not affect the permit fee because the cost of related code enforcement activities is not directly affected by the bid process and results.

Building Valuation

The following building valuation data represents average valuations for most buildings. In conjunction with IBC Section 109.3, this data is offered as an aid for the building official to determine if the permit valuation is underestimated. Again it should be noted that, when using this data, these are “average” costs based on typical construction methods for each occupancy group and type of construction. The average costs

include foundation work, structural and nonstructural building components, electrical, plumbing, mechanical and interior finish material. The data is a national average and does not take into account any regional cost differences. As such, the use of Regional Cost Modifiers is subject to the authority having jurisdiction.

Permit Fee Multiplier

Determine the Permit Fee Multiplier:

1. Based on historical records, determine the total annual construction value which has occurred within the jurisdiction for the past year.
2. Determine the percentage (%) of the building department budget expected to be provided by building permit revenue.
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$$\text{Permit Fee Multiplier} = \frac{\text{Bldg. Dept. Budget} \times (\%)}{\text{Total Annual Construction Value}}$$

Example

The building department operates on a \$300,000 budget, and it expects to cover 75 percent of that from building permit fees. The total annual construction value which occurred within the jurisdiction in the previous year is \$30,000,000.

$$\text{Permit Fee Multiplier} = \frac{\$300,000 \times 75\%}{\$30,000,000} = 0.0075$$

Permit Fee

The permit fee is determined using the building gross area, the Square Foot Construction Cost and the Permit Fee Multiplier.

$$\text{Permit Fee} = \text{Gross Area} \times \text{Square Foot Construction Cost} \times \text{Permit Fee Multiplier}$$

Example

Type of Construction: IIB

Area: 1st story = 8,000 sq. ft.

2nd story = 8,000 sq. ft.

Height: 2 stories

Permit Fee Multiplier = 0.0075

Use Group: B

1. Gross area:
Business = 2 stories x 8,000 sq. ft. = 16,000 sq. ft.
2. Square Foot Construction Cost:
B/IIB = \$265.76/sq. ft.
3. Permit Fee:
Business = 16,000 sq. ft. x \$265.76/sq. ft x 0.0075
= \$31,891.20

Important Points

- The BVD is not intended to apply to alterations or repairs to existing buildings. Because the scope of alterations or repairs to an existing building varies so greatly, the Square Foot Construction Costs table does not reflect accurate values for that purpose. However, the Square Foot Construction Costs table can be used to determine the cost of an addition that is basically a stand-alone building which happens to be attached to an existing building. In the case of such additions, the only alterations to the existing building would involve the attachment of the addition to the existing building and the openings between the addition and the existing building.
- For purposes of establishing the Permit Fee Multiplier, the estimated total annual construction value for a given time period (1 year) is the sum of each building's value (Gross Area x Square Foot Construction Cost) for that time period (e.g., 1 year).
- The Square Foot Construction Cost does not include the price of the land on which the building is built. The Square Foot Construction Cost takes into account everything from foundation work to the roof structure and coverings but does not include the price of the land. The cost of the land does not affect the cost of related code enforcement activities and is not included in the Square Foot Construction Cost.

Square Foot Construction Costs ^{a, b, c}

Group (2024 International Building Code)	IA	IB	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IV	VA	VB
A-1 Assembly, theaters, with stage	337.41	325.40	315.80	303.35	283.46	275.24	292.98	264.14	254.04
A-1 Assembly, theaters, without stage	309.77	297.76	288.16	275.71	256.07	247.85	265.35	236.75	226.65
A-2 Assembly, nightclubs	269.42	261.52	253.31	243.65	228.21	222.01	235.29	207.53	199.66
A-2 Assembly, restaurants, bars, banquet halls	268.42	260.52	251.31	242.65	226.21	221.01	234.29	205.53	198.66
A-3 Assembly, churches	314.40	302.40	292.80	280.35	260.82	252.61	269.98	241.51	231.40
A-3 Assembly, general, community halls, libraries, museums	264.03	252.03	241.42	229.98	209.33	202.12	219.61	190.01	180.91
A-4 Assembly, arenas	308.77	296.76	286.16	274.71	254.07	246.85	264.35	234.75	225.65
B Business	298.43	287.83	277.50	265.76	242.70	234.06	255.55	216.90	206.96
E Educational	282.06	272.26	263.65	252.74	235.87	223.82	244.04	206.65	200.02
F-1 Factory and industrial, moderate hazard	164.17	156.25	146.41	140.89	125.45	119.36	134.33	104.02	96.87
F-2 Factory and industrial, low hazard	163.17	155.25	146.41	139.89	125.45	118.36	133.33	104.02	95.87
H-1 High Hazard, explosives	153.17	145.25	136.41	129.89	115.76	108.67	123.33	94.33	N.P.
H234 High Hazard	153.17	145.25	136.41	129.89	115.76	108.67	123.33	94.33	86.17
H-5 HPM	298.43	287.83	277.50	265.76	242.70	234.06	255.55	216.90	206.96
I-1 Institutional, supervised environment	274.98	265.13	255.66	246.00	225.17	219.12	245.49	202.80	195.56
I-2 Institutional, hospitals	469.18	458.58	448.25	436.51	411.45	N.P.	426.30	385.65	N.P.
I-2 Institutional, nursing homes	323.68	313.08	302.75	291.01	269.45	N.P.	280.80	243.65	N.P.
I-3 Institutional, restrained	314.93	304.33	294.00	282.26	261.70	252.06	272.05	255.55	223.96
I-4 Institutional, day care facilities	274.98	265.13	255.66	246.00	225.17	219.12	245.49	202.80	195.56
M Mercantile	201.08	193.18	183.97	175.31	159.52	154.32	166.95	138.84	131.97
R-1 Residential, hotels	278.14	268.29	258.82	249.16	227.83	221.78	248.64	205.46	198.22
R-2 Residential, multiple family	232.26	222.41	212.94	203.28	183.19	177.15	202.77	160.82	153.58
R-3 Residential, one- and two-family ^d	215.90	210.16	205.11	200.73	194.02	187.11	204.78	180.41	169.09
R-4 Residential, care/assisted living facilities	274.98	265.13	255.66	246.00	225.17	219.12	245.49	202.80	195.56
S-1 Storage, moderate hazard	152.17	144.25	134.41	128.89	113.76	107.67	122.33	92.33	85.17
S-2 Storage, low hazard	151.17	143.25	134.41	127.89	113.76	106.67	121.33	92.33	84.17
U Utility, miscellaneous	117.65	110.72	103.00	98.58	87.79	82.02	93.83	69.49	66.20

- a. Private Garages use Utility, miscellaneous
b. For shell only buildings deduct 20 percent
c. N.P. = not permitted
d. Unfinished basements (Group R-3) = \$31.50 per sq. ft.