

Sussex County Building Department

Permit Fee Schedule

A. Generally. No permit required by the building code to begin work for new construction or any other building operation shall be issued until the fees prescribed by this section have been paid, nor shall an amendment, for any reason, to a permit be approved until the additional fee has been paid.

B. Administrative Services. The fees for administrative services shall be as follows:

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| 1. Permit amendments, renewals, extensions, reinstatement and change of ownership/contract change, | \$40.00 |
| 2. If an application for a permit is cancelled by written request to the Building Official within six months of the application date or within twelve months of the issue date, a refund will be granted. The following fee will be deducted from the refund: | 30% |
| 3. Public service request/Staff research/FOIA Fee | Actual Admin Cost/
1 hr minimum |

C. Building Permits. Building fees shall be as follows:

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| 1. State Levy on all applicable permit fees | 2.00% |
| a. Base permit fee | \$75 |
| b. Minimum permit fee | \$75 |
| 2. Re-inspection Fee | \$100 |
| 3. Code Investigation Fee | \$100 |
| 4. New Construction (Residential and Commercial) Base fee plus: | |
| <u>Residential:</u> All usable areas constructed; includes finished and unfinished; built construction, modular homes, manufactured homes, additions, alterations, remodels, decks, porches, garages, sheds, carports, etc. | \$0.16 per sq.ft. on site
Finished
\$.08 per sq.ft.
Unfinished |
| <u>Commercial/industrial:</u> All usable areas constructed; includes finished and unfinished; churches, schools, industrialized buildings, etc including patios decks, etc. | 1.00% of
Contract |
| 5. Swimming Pools | \$70.00 |
| 6. Fences around swimming pools and residential fences over 6' in height | \$40.00 |
| 7. Commercial Fence (regardless of height) | \$40.00 |
| 8. Signs up to 10 sq ft in surface area, 20 sq ft for a double-sided sign, the top of the sign being 10' or less from the ground | \$40.00 |

Signs more than 10 sq ft in surface area, 20 sq ft for a double-sided sign, the top of the sign being more than 10' from the ground		\$60.00
9. Demolition or Moved structure		\$70.00
10. Chimney		\$70.00
11. Commercial re-roofing		\$50.00
12. Tents (over 900 square feet)		\$80.00
13. Elevator (Initial and annual re-certification)		\$50.00
14. Retaining Walls (as defined by the Building Code), Towers, Piers, etc		\$50.00
15. Amusement Rides	current:	proposed:
a) Kiddie/ Small mechanical/ Inflatable		\$55.00
b) Circular ride or flat less than 20'		\$75.00
c) Spectacular Ride		\$100.00
d) Coaster exceeding 30'		\$200.00
		Coaster exceeding 60'
		\$400.00
		Generator for amusement device
		\$165.00
16. Commercial Plan Review (New Construction)		\$250.00
Residential Plan Review (New Construction)		\$50.00
17. Commercial Change of Occupancy/Use		Building Permit needed
18. Appeals		\$0.00

D. Electrical Permits.

1. Residential (New Construction)	Base fee plus \$.06 per sq. ft.	
2. Electrical Upgrade or relocation of electrical service		\$50.00
3. Temporary Electric Pole (TEP)		\$50.00
4. Early meter release (Not a part of any other inspection)		\$50.00
5. Connections and Outlets (lights, etc in additions/remodels)		\$50.00
6. Commercial (New Construction)		1% of Contract (unchanged)
7. Generator		\$75.00 + Gas

8. Solar PV:

SUSSEX COUNTY SOLAR PV PERMIT SCHEDULE

SOLAR PV PANEL SYSTEM RATINGS	ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEE
0-5,000 (WATTS)	\$50.00
5,001-10,000 (WATTS)	\$100.00
10,001-20,000 (WATTS)	\$200.00
20,001-30,000 (WATTS)	\$300.00
30,001-40,000 (WATTS)	\$400.00
40,001-1,000,000 (WATTS)	\$400.00 plus \$25.00 for each additional 10,000 (WATTS) over 40,000 (WATTS)
1,000,000-5,000,000 (WATTS)	\$2800.00 plus \$20.00 for each additional 10,000 (WATTS) over 1,000,000 (WATTS)
5,000,000---LARGER (WATTS)	\$10,800.00 plus \$15.00 for each additional 10,000 (WATTS) over 5,000,000 (WATTS)

REFERENCES:

- *ONE(1) KILOWATT(KW)= 1,000 WATTS(W)
- *ONE(1) MEGAWATT(MW)= 1,000,000 WATTS(W)

NOTE:

***IN ADDITION TO THE SOLAR PV PANEL SYSTEM ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES, ANY BUILDING STRUCTURES ON THE SITE SHALL REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT BASED ON THE CURRENT SURRY COUNTY BUILDING FEE SCHEDULE**

REQUIRED:

- *TWO(2) SETS OF PLANS-APPROVED
- *ZONING APPROVAL
- *BASED ON LAND DISTURBANCE---AN APPROVED EROSION & SEDIMENT

CONTROL PLAN AND AN APPROVED STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN MAY BE NECESSARY *PERMIT FEES REQUIRE THE ADDITION OF A 2% STATE LEVY FEE

E. Plumbing Permits.

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| 1. Residential | Base fee plus
\$.06 per sq. ft. |
| 2. Commercial | 1% of contract price |

F. Mechanical Permits.

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| 1. Residential | Base fee plus
\$.06 per sq. ft. |
| 2. Fuel Storage Tanks, removal or installation (underground or above ground) | \$100 per tank |
| 3. Gas Piping | \$40.00 |
| 4. Generators | \$75.00 + Elec. |
| 5. Commercial | 1% of contract price |

G. Fire Suppression.

1% of contract price