

BULLETIN 2005-4

March 30, 2005

SUBJECT: Building Permit Fees for Single Family Dwellings,

Townhouses, Apartments and Condominiums

PURPOSE: To Announce the Revised Standardized Building Permit

Fees for New Single Family Dwellings, Townhouses

Apartments and Condominium Construction.

AUTHORITY: Prince George's County Building Code, Subtitle 4,

Section 4-352(a)(2), Fee Schedule - Special Fees.

This bulletin supercedes Bulletin 2003-6, dated December 8, 2003, pertaining to permit fees for single family dwellings, townhouses, apartments and condominiums. Effective March 30, 2005, the Permits and Review Division will adopt revised standardized permit fees as described herein:

- 1. Single family dwellings, 3,500 square feet and smaller: The building permit fee is \$1,645 and the filing fee is \$800.
- 2. Single family dwellings more than 3,500 square feet gross area: The permit fees shall be based upon the area, as calculated from exterior dimensions of all floors, including balconies, mezzanines, basements, cellars and porches, specialty items, and square foot construction costs as set forth in the most current issue of the International Code Council's (ICC) Building Safety Journal, corresponding to appropriate use group, construction type and a fee multiplier of 0.006.
- 3. Townhouses: The building permit fee is \$1,000 and the filing fee is \$500.

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- 4. Finished Basements: A flat permit fee of \$225 for finishing basements will be collected. No Grading or Use and Occupancy fee will be collected.
- 5. Apartments/Condominiums: Permit fees shall be based upon the area, as calculated from exterior dimensions of all floors, including balconies, mezzanines, basements, cellars and porches, specialty items, and square foot construction costs as set forth in the most current issue of the International Code Council's Building Safety Journal, corresponding to appropriate use group, construction type and a fee multiplier of 0.006. The filing fee will be \$325 per each unit.

Example: For a 6,000 square foot, two-story single family house with basement and 500 square foot garage, the permit fee will be calculated as follows:

Finished Basement: Flat Fee, \$225 Unfinished Basement: 2,000 X \$15/S.F. X 0.006 = \$180 First and Second Floors: 4,000 X \$78.35/S.F. X 0.006 = \$1,880 Garage: 500 X \$31.46/S.F. X 0.006 = \$94

(S.F.= Square Foot; 0.006 is Prince George's County's fee multiplier.)

6. Grading, Use and Occupancy and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC): The permit fees for Grading, Use and Occupancy (U&O) and the M-NCPPC will remain as \$50, \$25 and \$5, respectively. The filing fees and permit fees for Grading, U&O and M-NCPPC shall be paid based on the following chart:

	Filing Fee	Balance Fee	Total Permit Fee
Structural	50% of Total Permit Fee, as previously noted	50% of Total Permit Fee	Based on Square Footage, Construction Type and Use Group of the Structure, as Adopted by ICC's Building Safety Journal or as previously outlined
Grading	\$25	\$25	\$50
U&O		\$25	\$25
M-NCPPC	\$ 5		\$ 5

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Effective March 30, 2005, the Department of Environmental Resources will implement this new procedure. Should you have questions regarding the fee calculations, please contact Amir Asghari, Acting Section Head, Building Review Section, or his staff, at (301) 883-5855.

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