

ALAMANCE COUNTY INSPECTION DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE



PERMITS AND INSPECTION FEES- 2026-2027 GENERAL

Effective July 1, 2026

Minimum Permit Fee	\$75.00
Extra -Inspections	\$75.00 per trip \$90-3 rd trip, \$125-4 th and additional trips
Administrative Fees (changing information, renewals upon staff review, etc.)	\$75.00
After Hours Inspections	\$125/hour
Extra -building permit sign card	\$10.00
Duplicate Certificate of Occupancy	\$10.00
Gibsonville (Guilford County) include additional 20% to total fees	
Expired Permits	50% of original fee if renewed within 90 days from expiration date

RESIDENTIAL PERMIT FEES

BUILDING PERMIT FEES

New residential single- family dwellings, duplexes and townhouses, modular. (Trade permits included - Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical)	Up to 1500 gross sq. ft. = \$525 Greater than 1,500 gross sq. ft. = \$0.36/sf
Deck Fee and any extra trips are additional (note: gross square footage includes any floored area under roof (porches, garages, storage areas, basements, etc.)	Trade fees included in total above
Addition, renovation and alteration/upfit to dwelling unit: (Plus trade fees per trip)	Up to 800 sq. ft. = \$175 + trade fees/trip 801 to 1200 sq. ft. = \$250 + trade fees/trip > 1200 sq. ft. = \$0.25/sq. ft.+ trade fees/trip
New residential single- family dwellings with fire sprinklers	\$0.20/ gross sq. ft. or \$400 min.
Accessory buildings, garages, workshops, and similar (Trade fees additional)	\$0.25 per gross sq. ft. or \$110 min.
Manufactured / Mobile Homes (includes base trade fees, deck fee is additional)	
Single-wide	\$300 (includes all trades)
Double-wide	\$350 (includes all trades)

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OTHER PERMITS

Deck Permit	\$150.00 (Any size)
Insulation and Energy Utilization Permit (w/o building permit)	\$80.00
Demolition of building	\$90.00
Moving building (trade fees extra)	\$110.00
Swimming Pools, Hot tubs & Spas	\$110.00
Electrical additional	\$225.00
Solar Installations (roof mounted)	\$150.00
Ground Mounted	\$180.00
Electrical additional	\$75.00 roof/ \$130.00 ground

ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES

Based on size of service and are calculated as follows:	\$0.25 per amp
Temporary Power	\$90.00
Service change/ reconnect	\$90.00
Miscellaneous electrical permit includes one trip	\$90.00
Travel trailer and recreational vehicle	\$90.00
Low Voltage	\$110.00

MECHANICAL PERMIT FEES

HVAC Change out / installation mechanical/ fuel gas permits (one system)	\$90.00
(two or more systems) includes one trip	\$110.00
Gas log, gas piping, ductwork, misc.	\$90.00

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PLUMBING PERMIT FEES

New Roughing-in	\$90.00 for first fixture, 5.00 for each additional
Building Sewer Connection	\$90.00
Miscellaneous Plumbing / Water heater change-out	\$90.00
Travel trailer and recreational vehicle	\$90.00

OTHER RESIDENTIAL FEES

Homeowner's Recovery Fee <i>(licensed general contractors only)</i>	\$10.00
Residential Plan Review- New homes	\$110.00
Plan revisions from approved plans	\$110.00
Plan review – additions, remodels and accessory buildings, solar installations	\$75.00
Residential fire sprinkler plan review <i>(non-required systems only)</i>	\$75.00
Saw Service – Residential	\$90.00

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COMMERCIAL PERMIT FEES

Plan Review

(Up to 3,000 sq. ft.)	\$200.00
(3,001 sq. ft. to 20,000 sq. ft.)	\$400.00
(20,001 sq. ft. or more)	\$0.025/SF
Plans not approved after a second review will incur additional fee per revision	\$110.00
Plan revision from approved plans	\$110.00 / trade

BUILDING PERMIT FEES

Permit allows for one re-inspection per trade /type of inspection. Extra inspection fees applied for additional inspections, uncorrected violations and partial inspection requests.

*BASED ON CONSTRUCTION COSTS

The construction cost for new construction and additions will be the greater of:

- 1) The proposed cost listed on the Building Permit Application, OR
- 2) The cost determined from the most recent Building Valuation Data published by the International Code Council.

\$60.00 for the first \$1,000 of estimated value;
then \$6.00 per \$1,000 of estimated value from \$1000 to \$100,000;
then \$5.00 per \$1,000 of estimated value over \$100,000

Signs/billboards

Up to 200 sq. ft.(electrical not included)	\$90.00
Over 200 sq. ft. (electrical not included)	\$180.00

Occupancy Permit/Day Care/ABC License/Special Events/Inspection Fees (one trip)

\$90.00

Insulation and Energy Utilization Permit (w/o building permit)

\$110.00

Mobile construction offices (trade fees extra)

\$280.00

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Based on size of service and are calculated as follows:	Up to 200 amps -	\$120.00
	Exceeding 200 amps	\$180.00
	Temporary Power	\$130.00
Commercial Service Change		\$90.00
Temporary Power		\$90.00
Saw Service		\$90.00
Low Voltage, Signs		\$90.00
Misc. Elec. Permits		\$75.00
Underground inspections (slab, ditch, etc.)		\$75.00
Non-Residential		½ of 1% of total electrical cost

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Commercial - Heat Only	\$0.0006 per B.T.U.
Commercial - Cooling Only	\$0.0011 per B.T.U. or \$75.00
Commercial - Heating & Cooling	\$0.006 per B.T.U. heating plus \$0.005 per B.T.U. cooling or \$75
Heat Pump	\$0.005 per B.T.U. (\$75.00 minimum)
Refrigeration Systems- Walk-in cooler or unit	\$120.00 first unit, \$95 each additional
Boilers and Chillers	
Up to and including 150,000 B.T.U.	\$90.00
In excess of 150,000 B.T.U.	\$90.00 plus \$0.0006 per B.T.U. over 150,000. Maximum fee of \$420.00
Commercial Hood	\$200.00
Gas piping, ductwork, misc. mechanical / fuel gas permits	\$90.00

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Building Sewer Connection	\$90.00
Miscellaneous Plumbing / Water heater change-out	\$120.00
Water Service Connection	\$90.00



ALAMANCE COUNTY INSPECTION FEE POLICY

1. **Permits Not Valid.** No building, electrical, plumbing mechanical miscellaneous or other permit issued by the Department of Inspections shall be valid unless all fees as prescribed by this ordinance shall have been paid to Alamance County.
2. **Work Commenced Prior To Obtaining Permits.** In all cases where building, construction, electrical, plumbing, mechanical or other work for which a permit is required is commenced before such permit is obtained, except where specific permission is granted to proceed by the Inspections Department, any permit fee due Alamance County for a permit for such work shall be twice the amount of the regular permit fee specified herein which would have been due had such permit been obtained prior to commencing work.
3. **Non-Transferable.** Permit fees shall not be transferred from one permit to another. Permit fees are not refundable.
4. **Time Limitation.** All permits expire six months after the date of issuance if the authorized work has not commenced. After commencement of work, if work is discontinued for a period of twelve months, the permit expires. If no inspection has been requested within a twelve-month period, it shall be presumed that work has stopped and the permit has expired.
5. **An extra trip or re-inspection fee will** be assessed when the project is not ready for an inspection, recurring deficiencies exist, or inspection requests are not canceled on time.
6. **Final inspections, Certificates of Completion and Certificates of Occupancy** will not be issued until all outstanding fees are cleared by the Central Permitting Office.
7. **Gas piping fees.** When a fee is charged for gas-fired appliances, a separate gas-piping fee shall not be required as long as the gas-piping and appliance are ready for inspection at the same time. Appliance shall mean any gas connected appliance or any gas outlet provided for future appliance connection.
8. **Notification of inspection** results shall be keyed in the permitting system.
9. **Installations not addressed by this fee schedule** will be charged using a minimum fee and per inspection trip criteria.