

## TOWN OF BEAUFORT FY16 FEE SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2015

### PLANNING & INSPECTIONS – PERMITTING FEES

#### RESIDENTIAL

Residential permits are required for all work involving the following:

- Work performed to residential and/or farm structures costing \$5,000 and above
- Work involving changes to load-bearing features
- Work involving plumbing, heating & air conditioning, and electrical systems (including appliances)
- Any project larger than 12' in length, height, or width

#### NEW STRUCTURES & ADDITIONS

Building & Insulation (heated/unheated space)	\$50.00 base fee + \$0.12/sq. ft. for first 1,000 sq. ft. then \$.06/sq ft. thereafter
Electrical (heated/unheated space)	\$50.00 base fee + \$.06/sq. ft.
Mechanical (heated space only)	\$50.00 base fee + \$.06/sq. ft.
Plumbing (heated space only)	\$50.00 base fee + \$.06/sq. ft.
Homeowner's Recovery Fee*	\$10.00/structure

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\*100% of the Homeowner's Recovery Fee is sent quarterly to the General Contracting Board; fee is only assessed to contractors with a current NC General Contracting License.

#### RENOVATIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING STRUCTURES

Renovations & Repairs (For projects valued in excess of \$5,000, the fee assessed for Renovations & Repairs is inclusive of all other fees listed below.)	\$8.00 per \$1,000.00 construction value
Electrical additions/changes	\$50.00/system
HVAC additions	\$50.00/unit
Plumbing	\$50.00

## MISCELLANEOUS

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Re-inspection fee (applies to third attempt and beyond)	\$50.00/visit
Minimum permit fee	\$50.00
House moving	Same as new construction
Demolition	\$50.00/structure
Gas pumps/Storage tanks	\$50.00 + \$20.00/unit
Signs	\$50.00 + \$1.50/sq. ft.
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## COMMERCIAL

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Electrical (heated/unheated space)	\$50.00 base fee + \$0.09/sq. ft. for first 1,000 sq. ft. then \$.05/sq ft. thereafter
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Plumbing	\$50.00 base fee + \$0.06/sq. ft.

### COMMERCIAL OUTBUILDINGS

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- Commercial Outbuildings includes airport storage structures (except hangars), and warehouse buildings, but does not include shell buildings or multiple storage structures.

Building & Insulation	\$50.00 base fee + \$0.13/sq. ft. for first 1,000 sq. ft. then \$.08/sq ft. thereafter
Electrical	\$50.00 base fee + \$0.05/sq. ft. for first 1,000 sq. ft. then \$.03/sq ft. thereafter
Mechanical	\$50.00 base fee + \$0.05/sq. ft. for first 1,000 sq. ft. then \$.03/sq ft. thereafter
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## OTHER APPLICATION FEES

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Beaufort Historic Preservation Commission Submission	\$25.00/application
Rezoning Request	\$200.00/application
Variance Request	\$200.00/application
Preliminary Plat Approval	\$100.00/application
Final Plat/Subdivision Approval	\$100.00/application
Special Use Permission	\$200.00/application
Site Plan Review	\$100.00/application

## BUSINESS REGISTRATION FEE

A registration fee of \$25.00 for all new businesses beginning operation within the Town limits.

## FIRE SAFETY

### INSPECTION PROGRAM

1 <sup>st</sup> Inspection (initial)	No charge
2 <sup>nd</sup> Inspection (after 30 days)	No charge
3 <sup>rd</sup> Inspection	\$25.00 + \$25.00 fine per violation per day until corrected
4 <sup>th</sup> Inspection	\$50.00 + \$25.00 fine per violation per day until corrected

- After 4<sup>th</sup> inspection, the inspection fee increases incrementally by \$25 for each inspection with a fine of \$25 per violation per day until corrected.
- After the 2<sup>nd</sup> inspection, a request for an extension and waiver of fees can be submitted for approval.

### LIFE SAFETY VIOLATIONS FINES AND FEES

1 <sup>st</sup> Offense	Must be corrected immediately; verbal warning with a written letter sent within 72 hours
2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense in 6 months	Must be corrected immediately; \$150.00+ \$20.00 per violation; warning letter sent within 72 hours
3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense in 6 months	Business is closed for 24 hours; \$250.00 + \$40.00 per violation

### DEFINITIONS

- *Over Occupant Limit/Overcrowding:* A condition that exists when either there are more people in a building, structure or portion thereof than have been authorized or posted by the fire code official, or when the fire code official determines that a threat exists to the safety of the occupants due to persons sitting and/ or standing in locations that may obstruct or impede the use of aisles, passages, corridors, stairways, exits or other components of the means of egress. **Each person over occupancy is considered a violation.**
- *Locked/Blocked/Impeded Means of Egress:* Any obstruction in the required width of a means of egress. ("Means of Egress" is the continuous and unobstructed path of vertical and horizontal egress travel from any point in a building or structure to a public way, consisting of three separate and distinct parts: the exit access, the exit, and the exit discharge.)
- *Impairment of Fire Detection, Extinguishment and Related Equipment:* Failure to have required testing and maintenance conducted of fire alarm system(s), fire sprinkler systems and/or alternative automatic fire extinguishing systems (includes commercial hood and duct systems, wet –chemical, dry-chemical, foam, carbon dioxide systems, halon systems and clean agent systems) and to have required documentation of test(s).
- Assemblies with Impaired Fire Detection/Extinguishment Equipment must provide a Fire Watch person while the building is occupied or will be closed.

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## GENERAL VIOLATION FEES

Parking in a fire lane or in front of a fire hydrant \$100.00 per violation  
Assault on a Fire Code Official \$100.00 per violation

### Nuisance Fire Alarms

After 4<sup>th</sup> nuisance alarm in a single calendar year \$100.00

After 5<sup>th</sup> nuisance alarm in a single calendar year \$200.00

\*If a business owner/occupant can show documentation that the system has been serviced by a Fire System Technician since the 3<sup>rd</sup> nuisance alarm, then the fee will be waived. The alarm count will start new for the calendar year after the system has been serviced.

Fire Detection & Suppression System work and/or modification without plan submittal and approval: \$150.00

## WATER, SEWER & SOLID WASTE COLLECTION

### SERVICE CHARGES

New Water Account Service Fee (waived if set up on Bank Draft)	\$25.00
New Account Service Deposit (3/4" meter)	\$75.00
New Account Service Deposit (1" meter)	\$100.00
New Account Service Deposit (1 1/2" meter)	\$140.00
New Account Service Deposit (2" meter)	\$275.00
Transfer Account	\$25.00
Cleaning/Renovation/Inspection (available for a 2 week period plus water and sewer usage)	\$25.00
Fire Hydrant Meters (includes mobilization, on site employee and 5,000 gallons of water, additional gallons \$.01 each)	\$75.00
Reconnect Fee	\$25.00
After Hours Reconnect Fee	\$75.00
Week End Call Out	\$75.00
Meter Tampering	\$100.00
Meter Testing	\$30.00
Irrigation/Dock Meter- Tap Fee	\$500.00
Returned Check Fee	\$25.00
Solid Waste User Fee- Residential	\$11.00
Late Fees - added to late portion	10%

### IMPACT & TAP FEES

<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Water Tap Fee</b>	<b>Sewer Tap Fee</b>	<b>Water Impact Fee</b>	<b>Sewer Impact Fee</b>
3/4"	\$500.00	\$750.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
1"	\$630.00	\$750.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
1 1/2"	\$1,075.00	\$750.00	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00
2"	\$1,375.00	\$750.00	\$5,300.00	\$5,300.00
3"	*\$575.00	\$750.00	\$7,600.00	\$7,600.00
4"	*\$625.00	\$750.00	\$11,900.00	\$11,900.00
6"	*\$850.00	\$750.00	\$19,200.00	\$19,200.00
8"	*\$1175.00	\$750.00	\$25,800.00	\$25,800.00

\* All taps larger than 2" shall be installed at the developers cost in accordance with the Town of Beaufort standards and developers shall pay a tap-on fee applicable to the above schedule.

\*All water and sewer taps made outside the Town limits will be double the in-town rates shown above. Water or Sewer impact fees outside Town limits are negotiable but will not exceed 2X rates shown above.

\*Upgrades in service, i.e. changing from a 3/4" meter to a 1" meter, will be subject to a difference in the water tap, water impact, and sewer impact fees.

## USAGE RATES

WATER	In-Town Monthly Rate	Out- of Town Monthly Rate
	Fixed rate for all Users	Fixed rate for all Users
3/4"	\$11.00	\$22.00
1"	\$18.20	\$36.40
1 1/2"	\$38.00	\$76.00
2"	\$65.90	\$131.80
3"	\$146.90	\$293.80
4"	\$259.40	\$518.80
6"	\$578.00	\$1,156.00

Variable Charge per 1000/gallons	\$2.80	\$4.20
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SEWER	In-Town Monthly Rate	Out- of Town Monthly Rate
	Fixed Rate for all Users	Fixed rate for all Users
3/4"	\$19.00	\$38.00
1"	\$29.80	\$59.60
1 1/2"	\$59.50	\$119.00
2"	\$101.35	\$202.70
3"	\$222.85	\$445.70
4"	\$391.60	\$783.20
6"	\$869.50	\$1,739.00
Variable Charge per 1000/gallons	\$11.85	\$17.78 (ETJ)
Variable Charge per 1000/gallons		\$20.74 (NGB)
Variable Charge per 1000/gallons		\$23.70 (beyond NGB)

## STORMWATER FEES

### RESIDENTIAL

Residential Unit \$4.00/month

### COMMERCIAL

Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) \$4.00/month

ERU = 1708 (sq.ft.) of Effective Impervious Area (EIA)

EIA= Impervious Area (sq.ft.) + 15% Pervious Area (sq.ft.)

## MISCELLANEOUS FEES

Tent Permit\Inspection	\$50.00
Public Records Request ( paper copies)	\$.15/page
Public Records Request (recording of meeting)	\$1.00/CD
Off Duty Officer Request	\$32.50/hr.
Parking Ticket	\$20.00
Parking Ticket in Handicap Space	\$100.00
Golf Cart Registration	\$75.00
Cemetery Administration Fee	\$25.00
Special Event Parking	\$10/day or \$25/event
Fire Works Display	\$50.00