

TOWN OF BEAUFORT FY17 FEE SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2016

PLANNING & INSPECTIONS – PERMITTING FEES

RESIDENTIAL

Residential permits are required for all work involving the following:

- Work performed to residential and/or farm structures costing \$15,000 or less
- Work involving changes to load-bearing features
- Additions, repairs, replacements, changes, and/or redesign of plumbing, heating, air conditioning and electrical systems
- Any new structure larger than 12' in length, height, or width

NEW STRUCTURES & ADDITIONS

Building & Insulation (heated/unheated space)	\$.15/sq. ft. for first 1,000 sq. ft. then \$.08/sq. ft. thereafter + \$50.00 base fee
Electrical (heated/unheated space)	\$.08/sq. ft. + \$50.00 base fee
Mechanical (heated space only)	\$.08/sq. ft. + \$50.00 base fee
Plumbing (heated space only)	\$.08/sq. ft. + \$50.00 base fee
Homeowner's Recovery Fee*	\$10.00/structure

NEW PORCHES, DECKS, SHEDS, DOCKS, PIERS, BULKHEADS, RETAINING WALLS, ETC.

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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.)	\$10.00 per \$1,000.00 construction value
Electrical additions/changes	\$50.00/system
HVAC additions/changes	\$50.00/unit
Plumbing additions/changes	\$50.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Re-inspection fee (applies to third attempt and beyond)	\$50.00/visit
Minimum permit fee	\$50.00
Structure moving	Same as new construction
Demolition	\$50.00/structure
Gas pumps/Storage tanks	\$20.00/unit + \$50.00
Signs (one side only)	\$1.75/sq. ft. + \$50.00
Fire sprinkler/Alarm systems	\$.08/sq. ft. + \$50.00
Re-Activate Expired Permit	\$50.00
Swimming Pools	\$250.00 + Fees for pool house
Working without a permit	Double the permit fee unless waived by Inspector

COMMERCIAL

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COMMERCIAL OUTBUILDINGS

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

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OTHER APPLICATION FEES

Certificate of Appropriateness (HPC)	\$50.00/application
Rezoning Request	\$200.00/application
Variance Request	\$200.00/application
Preliminary Plat Approval	\$200.00/application
Final Plat/Subdivision Approval	\$200.00/application
Special Use Permission	\$200.00/application
Site Plan Review	\$200.00/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 st Inspection (initial)	No charge
2 nd Inspection (after 30 days)	No charge
3 rd Inspection	\$25.00 + \$25.00 fine per violation per day until corrected
4 th Inspection	\$50.00 + \$25.00 fine per violation per day until corrected

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

LIFE SAFETY VIOLATIONS FINES AND FEES

1 st Offense	Must be corrected immediately; verbal warning with a written letter sent within 72 hours
2 nd Offense in 6 months	Must be corrected immediately; \$150.00+ \$20.00 per violation; warning letter sent within 72 hours
3 rd 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.

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 4th nuisance alarm in a single calendar year \$100.00

After 5th 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 3rd 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 Only Install (no new tap)	\$400.00
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	\$17.00
Late Fees - added to late portion	10%

IMPACT & TAP FEES

Meter Size	Water Tap Fee	Sewer Tap Fee	Water Impact Fee	Sewer Impact Fee
3/4"	\$700.00	\$750.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
1"	\$800.00	\$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