

CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE 126473
COUNCIL BILL 120190

AN ORDINANCE relating to fees and charges for permits and activities of the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections, related fees by other departments, and technical corrections; amending Sections 22.900D.090, 22.900D.100, and 22.900D.150 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC).

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 22.900D.090 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126213, is amended as follows:

22.900D.090 Permit fees for mechanical equipment and systems, other than boilers and pressure vessels and refrigeration systems

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Table D-8 for 22.900D.090—Permit Fees for Mechanical Equipment	
Type of Installation	Fee
Forced air, gravity-type, or floor furnace, gas or oil suspended heater, heat pump, recessed wall heater or floor-mounted space heater, wall furnace, circulating heater, or woodstove/fireplace insert including ducts and burners attached thereto	(\$118.55) <u>\$79.43</u> per unit
New gas or oil burners and newly installed used gas or oil burners ¹	(\$148.20) <u>\$99.29</u> per unit
Appliance vents Class A, B, BW, or L if installed separately	(\$117.50) <u>\$78.73</u> per unit
Mechanical air-moving systems	See Table D-2 for 22.900D.010
Appliances or equipment or other work not classed in other categories, or for which no other fee is listed	Hourly at the SDCI hourly rate. Minimum of 1/2 hour.
Footnote to Table D-8 for 22.900D.090 ¹ See Table D-12 for 22.900D.110 for rates for burners installed by boilers.	

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Section 2. Section 22.900D.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126213, is amended as follows:

1 **22.900D.100 Refrigeration equipment and systems**

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Table D-10 for 22.900D.100—Refrigeration Permit Fees ¹	
Type or Size of System/Equipment	Fee
Basic fee ²	(\$55.90) <u>\$37.45</u>
Additional installation fee per compressor	
0 – 5 tons	(\$69.85) <u>\$46.80</u>
6 – 25 tons	(\$141.85) <u>\$95.04</u>
26 – 100 tons	(\$265.65) <u>\$177.99</u>
101 – 500 tons	(\$374.65) <u>\$251.02</u>
Over 500 tons	(\$455.10) <u>\$304.92</u>
Repair and alteration (value of work)	
\$0 – \$1,000	(\$69.85) <u>\$46.80</u>
\$1,001 – \$5,000	(\$101.60) <u>\$68.07</u>
\$5,001 – \$10,000	(\$175.70) <u>\$117.72</u>
Over \$10,000	(\$173.55) <u>\$116.28</u> plus (\$69.85) <u>\$46.80</u> each \$5,000 or fraction thereof of valuation above \$10,000

Footnotes to Table D-10 for 22.900D.100
¹ Where the application for permit shows horsepower rather than cooling tonnage, the fees of this table shall apply at a rate of one horsepower equals one ton of cooling capacity.
² The basic fee applies to new installations, repairs, and alterations.

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4 Section 3. Section 22.900D.150 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by
5 Ordinance 126213, is amended as follows:

6 **22.900D.150 Electrical permit fees**

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Table D-15 for 22.900D.150—ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES (When Plans Are Not Required)
1. Administrative Fee
a. An administrative fee of (\$65.65) <u>\$49.24</u> will be charged in addition to the other fees specified in this table for all items except subsection 9 of this Table D-15 for 22.900D.150.
b. A change fee of \$58.60 will be charged if work is added to an issued permit and if other information is changed.

Table D-15 for 22.900D.150—ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES (When Plans Are Not Required)

2. Services	Size	Fee
a. Services (installation, relocation and temporary installations; size based on conductor ampacity); service fees (includes) <u>include</u> connection to one panel board when a service disconnect is provided ahead of the panel board	1 – 125A	1/2 × base fee
	126 – 200A	3/4 × base fee
	201 – 300A	1 × base fee
	301 – 399A	1.5 × base fee
	400 – 599A	2 × base fee
b. Service repair (mast and meter base only)	Any	1/2 × base fee
c. Temporary construction power for single-family residence; Ufer ground inspection is included only if the Ufer installation inspection is conducted at the same time as the temporary power inspection	Any	1/2 × base fee
d. Ufer installation only	Any	Administrative Fee only
e. Ufer test only	Any	1 × base fee
f. Underground work (raceways only)	Any	1/2 × base fee
g. SCL Service Meter Project	Any	1/2 × base fee; no Administrative Fee
3. Feeders ¹		
Size	120v – 480v	> 480v
15 – 25A	\$17.10	1/4 × base fee
30 – 50A	\$35.45	1/4 × base fee
60 – 125A	1/2 × base fee	1/2 × base fee
150A & less than 400A	3/4 × base fee	1 × base fee
400A	plan review required	plan review required
4. Connections, Devices, and Branch Circuits ²		
a. Connections		Fee
Light outlet, switches, dimmers, receptacles, luminaires, residential-type fans		\$2.15 each
Track lighting or multi-outlet assembly		\$2.15 for every 2 feet of track
b. Devices and Branch Circuits		Fee
Non-electrical furnace		\$17.15 each
Dedicated appliances & utilization circuits (cord and plug or direct wired):		
(15 – 50A) Ranges, water heaters, etc.		\$17.15 each
Floodlight ³		\$7.80 each
Sign circuit (required for commercial spaces)		\$44.20 each

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5. Transformer Installations ³	Fee
Up to 300 VA	\$7.80
300 VA to 6 KVA	\$17.15
7 KVA to 15 KVA	\$52.50
16 KVA to 45 KVA	1/2 × base fee
46 KVA to 112.5 KVA	3/4 × base fee
≥ 113 KVA	1 × base fee
6. Motor Installations	Fee
Up to 1/3 HP	\$7.80
1/3 HP to 3/4 HP	\$17.15
1 HP to 3 HP	\$25.70
4 HP to 5 HP	\$33.40
6 HP to 20 HP	1/4 × base fee
21 HP to 50 HP	1/2 × base fee
≥ 51 HP	3/4 × base fee
7. Electrical Furnaces and Heaters	Fee
Up to 2 KW	\$7.80
2 KW to 5 KW	\$17.15
6 KW to 15 KW	\$22.10
16 KW to 30 KW	1/4 × base fee
31 KW to 100 KW	1/2 × base fee
≥ 101 KW	3/4 × base fee
8. Low-voltage and Communication Systems	Fee
a. Low-voltage systems ⁵ ; ((-)) sound systems, security systems, fire alarms, nurse call, industrial controls, and similar	Requires separate permit for each system
Control unit	\$13.35 each
Device (activating, horn, alarm, etc.)	\$2.15 each
Control systems (> 100 volts) shall be based on the feeder schedule.	
b. Communications systems ⁶ ; ((-)) voice cable, data cable, coaxial cable, fiber optics, and similar	The maximum fee is \$512.75
Control unit	\$13.35
Outlet	\$2.15 each

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9. Special Events

a. Inspections occurring during normal business hours: ((-)) Hourly at the SDCI hourly rate; minimum 1/2 hour

b. Inspections occurring outside normal business hours: ((-)) Hourly at the SDCI hourly rate; minimum 1-1/2 hour

10. Inspections for which no other fee is listed; including but not limited to Conditional Work and “Get Started” permits

Fee

Each

Hourly at the SDCI hourly rate; minimum 1/2 hour

11. Renewable Energy Systems (photovoltaic, wind power generation, etc.)

Fee

0 KW to 7.7 KW

3/4 × base fee

> 7.7 KW to 26 KW

1 × base fee

Over 26 KW

Plan review required

12. Size overcurrent protection for Electrical Vehicle (EV) charging stations

Select fee for each charger to be installed.	Charging Station Level 2A (120 – 240 V 1 PHASE) Level 2B (120 – 208 V 3 PHASE)	Charging Station Level 3 (277 – 480 V 3 PHASE)
15 TO 25 AMP CHG STATION	\$17.05	1/4 × base fee
30 TO 50 AMP CHG STATION	\$35.70	1/4 × base fee
60 TO 125 AMP CHG STATION	1/2 × base fee	1/2 × base fee
150 TO 225 AMP CHG STATION	3/4 × base fee	1 × base fee
250 TO 400 AMP CHG STATION	Requires plan review.	Requires plan review.
OVER 450 AMP CHG STATION	Requires plan review.	Requires plan review.

13. Selective Coordination Study Review: ((-)) SDCI hourly rate, 1 hour minimum

Footnotes to Table D-15 for 22.900D.150

¹ Feeders will be charged only for (a) subpanels, (b) distribution panels, and (c) branch circuits of 60 amperes or over.

² The residential light outlet fee includes the luminaire.

³ Outdoor area lighting (parking lots, streets, etc.). The floodlight fee is charged per luminaire.

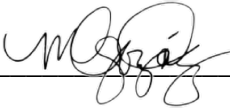
⁴ The transformer fee includes the primary feeder and one secondary feeder up to and including the first panelboard or disconnect. Additional secondary panelboards or disconnecting means are charged at the appropriate feeder rate.

⁵ Low-voltage systems include, but are not limited to, systems listed in Chapter 7 of the Seattle Electrical Code. Exempt: Residential wireless security systems.

⁶ Communication systems include, but are not limited to, systems listed in Article 770 and Chapter 8 of the Seattle Electrical Code.

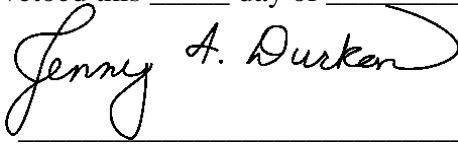
1 Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

4 Passed by the City Council the 22nd day of November, 2021,
5 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 22nd day of
6 November, 2021.

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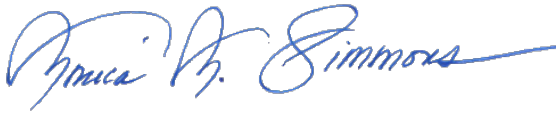
8 President _____ of the City Council

9 Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this 2nd day of December, 2021.

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11 Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

12 Filed by me this 2nd day of December, 2021.

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14 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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