

ORDINANCE #4-2024

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLAWN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING SECTION 72-3 IN CHAPTER 72, CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM, IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLAWN

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Brooklawn, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey, that Section 72-3 in Chapter 72, Construction Codes, Uniform, in the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn is hereby amended as follows:

ARTICLE I. SECTION 72-3 Fees.

The fees for a construction permit shall be the sum of the subcode fees listed below and shall be paid.

A. The building subcode fees shall be as follows:

(1) New construction:

(a) Subcodes B, H, I-1, I-3, M, E, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, U, and I-2 shall be \$0.045 per cubic foot of building or structure volume; minimum fee: \$250.

[1] Garden-type sheds.

[a] Over 201 square feet; \$250 minimum fee.

(b) Subcodes A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, F-1, F-2, S-1, and S-2 shall \$0.030 per cubic foot of building or structure volume; minimum fee: \$250.

(c) New construction that cannot be computed by volume:

Estimated Cost of Work	Fee	Minimum
Up to and including \$50,000	\$24 per \$1,000 estimated cost of work	\$95.00
\$50,001 to \$100,000	\$23 per \$1,000 estimated	\$95.00

	cost of work	
Over \$100,000	\$18 per \$1,000 estimated cost of work	\$95.00

(2) Renovations, alterations, repairs, fences and minor work: \$30 per \$1,000 of the estimated cost of the work; minimum fee: \$95.00

(a) Open deck structures:

Size (square feet)	Minimum Fee
Under 100 sq. ft.	\$95
100 to 200 sq. ft.	\$150
201 to 400 sq. ft.	\$200
401 sq. ft. and greater	\$250

(b) Handicapped fees. Pursuant to the authority under N.J.S.A. 52:27D-12e, no construction permit fee shall be required for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, improvement or repair of a structure and related devices installed or erected for the sole purpose of promoting accessibility by the handicapped, "handicapped" being defined under N.J.S.A. 51-27d-126e, and conforming to the current N.J.A.C. 5:23.7 Barrier Free Code, and any subsequent amendments or additions thereto. "Waiving of the fees" in no way "waives" the right of the enforcing agency to request plans for the purpose of reviewing plans for code compliance.

(3) Additions: \$0.038 per cubic foot of building or structure volume for the added portion; minimum fee: \$100.

(4) Auxiliary use buildings, sheds and carports: \$95.

(5) Fees for combinations of renovations and additions shall be computed separately in accordance with Subsection **A(1)(c)**.

(6) Surcharge fee for new construction: \$0.00334 per cubic foot of volume of the new construction, to be remitted to the Bureau of Housing Inspections, Department of Community Affairs, on a quarterly basis in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.28.

B. The general fees under the Construction Code shall be as follows:

(1) The fee for demolition or removal permit shall be \$100 for Use Groups R-3 and R-5; the fee for all other use groups shall be \$170.

(2) Removal of a building or structure from one lot to another or to a new location on the same lot: for the new foundations and for the placement in a completed condition in the new location: \$100.

(3) For elevators, escalators and moving walks requiring reinspection every six months, the fee shall be \$75, except for each five-year inspection and witnessing of tests on elevators, for which the fee shall be \$250. For dumbwaiters requiring re-inspection every 12 months, the fee shall be \$26.

(4) Installation of elevators, dumbwaiters and moving walks: \$200.

(5) Sign fees: \$8 per square foot of surface area. Compute only one side for double-faced signs; minimum fee: \$95.

(6) Temporary structures and all structures for which volume cannot be computed, such as swimming pools and open structural towers:

(a) Swimming pools:

[1] Aboveground: \$95.

[2] In-ground: \$150.

(b) Other structures: \$95.

(7) The fee for tents, in excess of 900 square feet or 30 feet in any dimension, shall be \$150.

(8) Certificates of occupancy:

(a) Computation: 10% of the new construction permit fee. Exception: one- and two-family residences less than 5,000 square feet in area and less than 30 feet in height.

(b) Minimum fee: \$100.00; re-inspection fee: \$50.00.

(c) Fee for certificate of continued occupancy: \$120.

(d) Fee for a certificate of occupancy granted pursuant to a change of use group: \$180.

(9) Pre-pour inspection for all new concrete flat work and for replacement of all existing sidewalks: pre-inspection is required prior to pouring the new concrete. The fee for such inspection is \$95.

(10) The fee for an application for a variance in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-10 shall be \$594 for Class I structures and \$120 for Class II and Class III structures. The fee for resubmission of an application for a variance shall be \$229 for Class I structures and \$95 for Class II and Class III structures.

(11) The fee for lead hazard abatement work shall be \$150. The fee for a lead abatement clearance certificate shall be \$50.

C. The plumbing subcode fees shall be as follows:

(1) Fixtures and stacks, including but not limited to all sinks, urinals, water closets, bathtubs, shower stalls, laundry tubs, floor drains, drinking fountains, dishwashers, garbage disposals, clothes washers, hot-water heaters or similar devices, each fixture: \$20.

(2) Special devices: grease traps, oil separators, cross-connections, backflow preventers, water-cooled air-conditioning units, pumps, utility service connections, each device: \$95.

(3) For cross-connections and backflow preventers that are subject to testing requiring reinspection every three months: \$35 for each device when it is tested (thrice annually) and \$10 for each device when it is broken down and tested (once annually).

(4) In any case, minimum fee for any plumbing subcode permit, in part or total: \$95.

(5) Plan review fee. 25% of the amount to be charged for a new construction plumbing permit as set forth above.

D. The electrical subcode fees shall be as follows:

(1) Minimum fee: \$95.

(2) Rough wiring (all switches, receptacles and lighting outlets shall to be counted as outlets):

(a) One to 50: \$75.

(b) For each additional 25 outlets or fraction: \$25.

(3) Fixtures:

(a) One to 50: \$75.

(b) For each additional 25 outlets or fraction: \$25.

(4) Mercury vapor lamps, each mogul socket:

(a) One to five: \$40.

- (b) Additional lamps, each: \$10.
- (5) Swimming pools, new installation (two inspections): \$95.
- (6) Residential electric ranges; hot-water heaters:
 - (a) For each outlet for single unit of 20 kilowatts or less: \$40.
 - (b) For each additional unit: \$10.
- (7) Emergency standby generators: \$70.
- (8) Heat pumps: \$50.
- (9) Electric heat:
 - (a) Single unit: \$35.
 - (b) Each additional unit: \$6.
- (10) Welder or motor-driven equipment: apply motor schedule.
- (11) Exhaust fans: attic, bath, kitchen, etc.: \$25.
- (12) Motors or generators:
 - (a) Fractional horsepower to 20 kilowatts, each: \$40.
 - (b) Over 20 horsepower to 75 horsepower or kilowatts, each: \$75.
 - (c) Over 51 horsepower to 100 horsepower or kilowatts, each: \$140.
 - (d) Over 100 horsepower or kilowatts, each: \$650.
 - (e) For the purpose of computing these fees, all motors, except those in plug-in appliances, shall be counted, including control equipment, generators, transformers and all heating, cooking or other devices consuming electrical current.
- (13) Feeders: relocated, replacement, added to or original equipment: apply service and meter equipment schedule.
- (14) Service and meter equipment and feeders (relocated, replacement, added to or original equipment installation):
 - (a) Not over 100 amperes: \$50.
 - (b) One hundred one to 200 amperes: \$100.
 - (c) Two hundred to 399 amperes: \$150.
 - (d) Four hundred to 599 amperes: \$150.

- (e) Six hundred to 1,000 amperes: \$150.
- (f) Over one thousand one: \$600
- (15) Capacitors:
 - (a) Units:
 - [1] One unit: \$20.
 - [2] Each additional unit: \$3.
 - (b) Group capacitor charges: as per motor schedule.
 - (c) Motors equipped with capacitors during original installation: no charge.
- (16) Transformers (vaults, outdoor, enclosures), outdoor substation:
 - (a) Not over 200 kilovolt-amperes: \$40.
 - (b) Over 200 to 500 kilovolt-amperes: \$60.
 - (c) Over 500 kilovolt-amperes: \$95.
- (17) Outdoor electric signs, billboards, etc.: \$95.
- (18) Protective signaling devices:
 - (a) Devices:
 - [1] For the first 10 devices: \$95.
 - [2] For each additional device: \$10.
 - (b) For 30 volts: need not be licensed but need electrical permit: \$95.
 - (c) For 30 volts: no electrical permit required for smoke detectors and burglar alarm systems.
- (19) Reinspection or reintroduction of current: see service and meter equipment
- (20) Additional inspections:
 - (a) Violations of the National Electric Code and/or Uniform Construction Code rules and regulations: not more than 50% of the original fee for reinspection.
 - (b) Inspections of institutions for annual state certification: an amount equal to the time spent by the inspector times the normal hourly rate, with a minimum of \$95 per institution.
- (21) Plan review: 25% of the original fee.
- (22) Installation and fees for any items not listed: minimum fee: \$95.

E. The fire subcode fees shall be as follows:

(1) Fuel storage tanks and equipment (removal or installation):

- (a) One to 1,000 gallons: \$95.
- (b) Each additional 500 gallons or fraction thereof: \$10.

(2) For each drying room, dry kiln, refuse chute, refuse vault, dust conveyor, stock conveyor or refuse conveyor system: \$50.

(3) For heating or ventilating equipment in occupancies: \$95.

(4) For fire inspection during construction, including welding safety precautions (as established at original permit application), per inspection: \$95.

(5) Heat-producing devices, heaters, fireplaces, wood stoves, etc.: \$75.

(6) Fire system standpipes, per riser: \$325.

- (a) Each fire hose cabinet: \$10.

(7) Sprinkler fees, based upon number of sprinkler heads being installed:

Number of Heads	Fee
1 to 20	\$95
21 to 100	\$225
101 to 200	\$350
201 to 400	\$900
401 to 1,000	\$1,036
Over 1,000	\$1,600

(8) For each fire alarm suppression system (foam, carbon dioxide, halogenated or dry chemical): \$95.

(9) Manual fire alarm system (smoke and heat detectors):

- (a) One to six devices: \$80.
- (b) Each additional four devices or fraction thereof: \$0.

(10) Kitchen hood exhaust system:

- (a) Commercial: \$175.

- (b) Residential: \$95.
- (11) Incinerators and crematoriums: \$550.
- (12) Plan review: 25%.
- (13) Minimum fee: \$95.

ARTICLE II.

All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder shall be deemed valid and effective.

ARTICLE III.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLAWN

BY: 
MAYOR JERRY GRANSTROM

ATTEST:



RYAN GILES, BOROUGH CLERK

The foregoing ordinance was introduced by Mayor and Council at its regular meeting held on February 20, 2024. This Ordinance will be considered for adoption on final reading and public hearing to be held on March 18, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room, Brooklawn Municipal Building, 301 Christiana Street, Brooklawn, New Jersey.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a amend certain fees within Chapter 72 of the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn. A copy of this Ordinance is available at no charge to the general public between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Thursday (Legal Holidays excluded), at the Office of the Borough Clerk, Brooklawn Municipal Building, 301 Christiana Street, Brooklawn, New Jersey.

