

NORTH FORK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

PO Box 183 Buffalo Creek, CO 80425 Phone: 303-838-2270

FIRE CODE PLAN REVIEW, INSPECTION & PERMIT FEES EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 20, 2024

FIRE CODE PLAN REVIEWS & INSPECTIONS	
<i>For multi-building projects fees are per building</i>	
Base fee for any fire code plan review and permit processing. Includes one plan review, one rough inspection and one final inspection. *	\$180.00
Additional fee per square foot for new commercial construction and tenant finish work.	\$0.03
Additional fee per square foot for single family 13D sprinkler installation or modification.	\$0.03
Additional fee per sprinkler for 13 or 13R sprinkler installation or modification.	\$2.50
Additional fee per device for fire alarm system installation or modification.	\$2.50
Additional fee for each additional kitchen hood extinguishing system installed in same location at the same time.	\$90.00
Additional fee for each sprinkler connection and fire hydrant for fire hydrant systems.	\$150
Additional fee for cistern easement agreement legal review and approval. Reviewed by Fire Marshal, Fire Chief and Fire District Attorney.	Actual Cost
Inspections outside of normal business hours (M-F, 8 am-4pm, based on staff availability.) Minimum of 1 hour.	\$150 hour
WILDFIRE ASSESSMENTS	
Voluntary Wildfire Assessment	\$100.00
Mandatory Wildfire Assessment	\$75 hour
ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEWS & LETTERS	
Additional plan reviews required by changes, additions or revisions (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
County letters: Proof of Fire Protection or residential site plan review for fire access, fire water supply, etc. No charge for letters not requiring site visit. Minimum one hour fee for site visit.	\$75 hour
Administrative Fee (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
Trip Charge for out of district travel to and from inspections (per hour)	\$75 hour
Fire Code Review of IWUIC Fire Protection Plan (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
Fire Code Review of Alternative Materials and Methods Request (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
Fire Code Review of Technical Assistance Request (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
Fire Code Review of Code Modification Request (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
Expedited Plan Review (based on staff availability, fee doubled)	Double
Outsource Review Fee (actual cost, plus administrative fee)	Cost
Board Appeal	\$300.00

INSPECTION & STANDBY RELATED FEES	
Re-inspection fees (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
Additional inspections required by changes, additions or revisions (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
After Hours Inspections (Normal hours are M-F, 8 am- 4 pm; based on staff availability, minimum two hours overtime)	\$120 hour
Investigation inspection fee (work commencing before permit issuance - IFC 106.3)	\$300.00
Investigation inspection fee (removal of Stop Work Order - IFC 112)	\$300.00
Firewatch, standby firefighters and/or emergency medical personnel and apparatus as required by the <i>fire chief</i>	CRRF RATES

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TEMPORARY USE PERMIT FEES	
<i>Temporary use permit fees include one plan review and one inspection conducted during normal business hours. Expedited plan reviews, additional inspections, inspections outside normal business hours, firewatch personnel, standby personnel and apparatus are additional.</i>	
Temporary Use - Carnival, Fair, Circus, Haunt or Other Public Special Event - 30 Days	\$200.00
Temporary Use - Amusement Building - 30 Days (must have sprinkler system 3103.3.1)	\$400.00
Temporary Use - Fuel Tank & Dispensing	\$120.00
Temporary Use - LP Gas - Construction Site Use of Containers Over 100 lbs.	\$120.00
Temporary Use - Tent or Membrane Structure >400 sq. ft. or Canopy >700 sq. ft.	\$120.00
Temporary Use - Outdoor Assembly Event where planned attendance exceeds 1000 persons	\$120.00
Temporary Use - Fire Apparatus Access Road (Maximum 120 Days)	\$1000.00
Temporary Use - Fire Protection Water Supply (Maximum 120 Days)	\$500.00
Temporary Use - Consumer Fireworks Retail Sales - 30 Days	\$1500.00
Temporary Use - Consumer Fireworks Wholesale Distribution and/or Storage - 30 Days	\$3000.00
Temporary Use - Fireworks Display - Each New Location	\$300.00
Temporary Use - Fireworks Display - Repeat Location Previously Approved	\$200.00
Temporary Use - Pyrotechnics Display or Flame Effects	\$200.00
Other fire code related temporary use permits not listed (minimum one hour)	\$75 hour
BURN RESPONSE FEES	
Responses caused by burning without a permit, burning with a permit during burn season and failing to call Dispatch, burning with a permit during non-burn times, burning during a fire ban or other restrictions, or violations of the permit conditions. Use current CRRF Agreement cost per firefighter/paramedic and fire truck/ambulance.	CRRF RATES
Responses to wildland or structure fire caused by an illegal burn. Use current CRRF Agreement cost per firefighter/paramedic and fire truck/ambulance.	CRRF RATES
FIRE CODE VIOLATIONS	
Violation of the Fire Code (\$250.00 per violation, per day) Each day in which a violation occurs, after due notice has been served, shall constitute a separate offense.	\$250.00 Per day

*Fire Code Plan Review and Permits: new construction, tenant finish, fire alarm system, fire alarm control panel replacement, wireless fire alarm system transmitter installation, fire sprinkler system, underground fireline, standpipe, fire pump, fire hydrant system, cistern, draft site, kitchen hood extinguishing system, alternative fire extinguishing system (water, mist, foam, CO2, clean agent, halon, chemical, etc.), fire apparatus access, fire protection water supply, automatic fire apparatus access gate, controlled egress doors, delayed egress locks, flammable and/or combustible liquid tank, L-P gas system, medical gas system, compressed gas system, spray area, spray room, spray booth, mixing room, dip tank, HazMat container, HazMat tank, Hazmat process, Carbon Dioxide system, Carbon Dioxide detection system, smoke control system, battery system, high-piled storage plan, Firefighter Air System (FAS), emergency responder radio system, and any other fire code permit not listed.

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Fee payment. All fees are to be paid by applicant, developer or contractor upon completion of plan reviews, prior to issuance of a permit.

Additional plan review fees. When submittal documents are incomplete or changed so as to require additional plan reviews, or when an additional plan review is required, an additional plan review fee shall be charged.

Re-inspection fees. A re-inspection fee may be assessed for each inspection or re-inspection when such portion of work for which inspection is called is not complete or when required corrections are not made. Re-inspection fees may be assessed when the inspection record card is not posted or otherwise available on the work site, when the *approved construction documents* are not readily available to the inspector, for failure to provide access on the date for which inspection is requested, for deviating from *construction documents* requiring the approval of the *fire code official* or for failure to post a readily visible address. To obtain a re-inspection, the applicant shall request a re-inspection and pay the re-inspection fee in advance. In instances where re-inspection fees have been assessed, no additional inspection of the work shall be performed until the required fees have been paid.

Fee refund application. The *fire chief* may authorize the refunding of any fee paid hereunder that was erroneously paid or collected upon receipt of a completed Refund Request Form filed by the original permittee not later than sixty (75) days after the date of the fee payment. Applicants shall use the Refund Request Form provided by Elk Creek Fire Protection District for all fee refund requests.

Fee waivers. The *fire chief* may authorize the waiver of fees for temporary use permits issued to non-profit organizations.

Note:

- 1.This Fee Schedule is approved by the Fire District Board of Directors per CRS 32-1-1002(1)(e)(II) and (III)
- 2.The Fire Marshal is authorized to make interpretations and clarification changes to the fee descriptions.
- 3.The Fire Marshal is authorized to collect inspection fees for construction permits and for other items set forth in this schedule.
- 4.All fees may be required to be collected at the time of submittal at the discretion of the Fire Marshal or the reviewer.
- 5.All fees are to be collected from contractor when the contractor cancels a permit or when the plans are reviewed without, permit being issued.
- 7.Returned (bounced) checks shall be charged a fee of \$35.00 per occurrence.

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Inspection Fee Schedule for Excessive False Alarms

Effective: XXXX XX, 2024

This section establishes fees for excessive and unnecessary false fire and emergency alarms. These types of alarms unnecessarily endanger firefighters and citizens during a response.

Section 1 - Definitions:

The following definitions shall apply to this resolution:

1. Category I Alarms: Any alarm requiring a fire department response where the system operated properly under the following conditions:
 - a. Accidental: Any alarms caused by the following:
 - i. A guest or circumstances beyond the control of management
 - ii. An accidental smoke or fire condition
- ***Category I alarms shall not be assessed a fee.***
2. Category II Alarms: Any alarm requiring a fire department response under the following conditions:
 - a. System malfunction: Any alarm caused by poor or improper maintenance, improper installation of alarm equipment, poor placement of emergency activation buttons, hardware, or wiring. An improper action by the alarm monitoring center shall also be considered a system malfunction.
 - b. User error: The act or omission of an agent, employee, or contractor of management.
 - c. Undetermined cause: Any alarm which after investigation by the fire department does not reveal the apparent cause of the alarm. If the alarm system owner, or their agent, can provide proof of cause within two (2) working days from the alarm time, the fire department may re-evaluate the assessment.

***Category II alarms shall be termed nuisance and will be assessed a fee as outlined in Table 1. ***

3. Malicious Alarms: Any alarm caused by a malicious or mischievous action.
 - a. These alarms are unlawful. The individual responsible for a malicious alarm(s) may be subject to criminal action as defined in the Colorado Revised Statutes and be responsible for the cost of the response to the alarm.

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Section 2- Fee Schedule for Excessive Alarms

2.1 Existing Occupancies: Any fire alarm system found to have three or more Category II alarms, as defined in this resolution, in a calendar year, or a three-month span, shall be considered in violation of this resolution. An excess alarm fee shall be charged to the owner of that fire alarm system.

2.2 Fire Alarm Monitoring or Fire Protection Maintenance Companies: Any fire alarm monitoring or fire protection maintenance companies found to have three or more Category II alarms at any combination of properties, as defined in this resolution, in a calendar year shall be considered in violation of this resolution. An excess alarm fee shall be charged to the fire alarm installation/testing company, fire alarm monitoring company, or fire protection maintenance company depending upon which is found to be the cause of the false alarm. If designation of cause cannot be distinguished between companies, the owner of the property found to be in violation shall be charged the appropriate fees.

2.3 New Construction: Any new construction site found to have three or more Category II alarms, as defined in this resolution, shall be considered in violation of this resolution. An excess alarm fee shall be charged to the owner of said property.

The excess fees shall be assessed as follows:

The third Category II alarm in violation of Section 2.1, 2.2 or 2.3 in any calendar year will be assessed a fee of \$200.00. The fee will progressively increase by an additional \$100.00 for each violation with no fee limit. See Table 1 for details.

Table 1: Excessive Alarm Fees

Number of Alarms	In Violation of Section 2.1, 2.2, or 2.3	Malicious
1	No Fee	\$200
2	No Fee	\$400
3	No Fee	\$600
4	\$200	\$800
5+	Increase by \$200 for each additional activation	

Section 3 - Failure to Pay Fees:

Failure of any fees to be paid by contracted companies or general contractors shall be charged to the owner of the system in violation of this resolution. Owners of alarm systems more than ninety days in arrears for all excess emergency alarm inspection fees, due under this resolution, shall have a perpetual lien placed against the property pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes, §32-1-1001(j). The owner shall be responsible to reimburse the Fire Protection District for all reasonable legal fees incurred in collecting such fees.

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