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ORDINANCE NO. 85-019



ADOPTING FEES FOR INSPECTIONS,  
APPROVALS AND PERMITS REQUIRED BY TITLES 16 AND 17,  
SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE

BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. The following is adopted and made a part of the Snohomish County Code.

Sections:

- 17.02.010 Purpose
- 17.02.020 Basic Permit Fee.
- 17.02.030 Fee Refunds
- 17.02.040 Plan Review Fees.
- 17.02.050 Plan Review Fee-Successive Construction.
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- 17.02.070 Administrative Appeal Filing Fee.
- 17.02.080 Special Inspection and Investigation Fees.
- 17.02.090 Miscellaneous Building/Structural Permit Fees
- 17.02.100 Building/Structural Plan and Permit Fees.
- 17.02.110 Grading Permit Fees.
- 17.02.120 Plumbing Permit Fees.
- 17.02.130 Mechanical Permit Fees.
- 17.02.140 Uniform Fire Code Fees.
- 17.02.150 Fire Works Permit Fees.
- 17.02.160 Mobile Home Permit Fees.

17.02.010 Purpose. This chapter sets forth schedules of fees required to be paid under provisions of the Snohomish County Code in the review, inspection, and/or issuance process of certain governmental approvals and/or permits. Where any such fee is required to be paid, the same shall be done in accordance with the applicable schedule hereinafter set forth.

17.02.020 Basic Permit Fee. There is a basic permit fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) for each permit issued. Whenever a Master Permit is issued, a basic permit fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be charged notwithstanding the issuance of two (2) or more approvals or permits thereunder. In addition, all applicable permit fees shall be paid as provided in this chapter.

17.02.030 Fee Refunds. The Building Official shall refund all fees collected in error under provisions of this Chapter. In all other cases, the Building Official is authorized to refund eighty (80%) percent of any fee paid upon request by an applicant only if no work has commenced under the issued permit, the issued permit is surrendered with the request, and the issued permit has not yet expired.

17.02.040 Plan Review Fee. Whenever a plan, drawing or such other document is required to be reviewed under provisions of the Snohomish County Code, a fee equaling sixty-five (65%) per cent of permit fees paid for permits to be issued for which said plans, drawing or such other document is required, shall be paid. Said plan review fee shall be in addition to permit fees.

17.02.050 Plan Review Fee - Successive Construction. A plan review fee for successive construction, as that term is used in Snohomish County Code Section 17.04.150, shall be ten percent (10%) of the building permit fee to be paid hereunder; provided that subsequent proposed construction contains no structural and/or design changes and does not exceed the square footage floor area contained in the

previously approved plans, drawings or such other documents for which the previously issued and valid building permit exists.

17.02.060 Plan Review Fee - Additional Review. Whenever, as a result of changes, additions or revisions to previously approved plans, drawings or such other documents, a subsequent plan review is required, a fee shall be charged therefor at the rate of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour. There shall be a one-half (1/2) hour minimum charge hereunder.

17.02.070 Administrative Appeal Filing Fee. A Fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be paid to the Division of Community Development as a filing fee for any administrative appeal provided for under applicable provisions of the Snohomish County Code.

17.02.080 Special Inspection and Investigation Fees

- (a) A minimum investigation fee equal to the required permit fee shall be charged pursuant to the Uniform Building Code, Section 304 (d)
- (b) All FHA/VA and all building/structural/mobile home pre-move inspections require payment of a fee as follows:
  - (1) All FHA/VA inspections thirty dollars (\$30.00).
  - (2) Inspection within Snohomish County thirty dollars (\$30.00).
  - (3) Inspections outside Snohomish County for move to Snohomish County for forty dollars (\$40.00) plus eighteen cents (\$.18) per mile.
- (c) A reinspection fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be charged under provisions of the Uniform Building Code, Section 305 (g).
- (d) Pursuant to the Uniform Building Code, Section 304 (a), fees shall be charged as follows:
  - (1) Inspections outside normal county business hours - Twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour with two (2) hour minimum.
  - (2) Inspections for which no fee otherwise indicated under this Chapter - Twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour with two (2) hour minimum.

17.02.090 Miscellaneous Building/Structural Permit Fees. The following table shall specify those fees charged for permits to be issued pursuant to the Snohomish County Building Code and which are exempt from the provisions of Section 17.02.016 of this Chapter.

Temporary Buildings	\$30.00	
Demolition Permits	\$10.00	
Condo Conversion (Per Unit)		\$30.00
Decks	\$20.00	
Docks	\$20.00	
Foundation Only - New Construction		\$30.00
Fireplace	\$20.00	
Swimming Pools	\$20.00	
Roofing:		
	10 Squares or Less	\$25.00
	11 to 25 Squares	\$35.00
	Over 25 Squares	\$50.00
Signs:		
	Wall	\$10.00
	Pole or Roof	\$20.00

Billboard \$30.00

17.02.100 Building/Structural Plan and Permit Fees. The following Table applies to all building structural plan review and permits, except, those for which a permit fee is required to be paid in accordance with Section 17.02.014 based upon the Building Standard, published by the International Conference of Building Officials (May/June 1984 Edition), as now or hereafter amended, as follows:

(a) Building/Structural Fees

<u>Building/Structure</u> <u>Total Valuation</u>	<u>Fee</u>
\$1.00 to \$500.00	\$10.00
\$501.00 to \$2,000.00	\$10.00 for the first \$500.00 plus \$1.50 for each additional \$100.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$2,000.00
\$2,001.00 to \$25,000.00	\$32.50 for the first \$2,000.00 plus \$6.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000.00
\$25,001.00 to \$50,000.00	\$170.50 for the first \$25,000.0 plus \$4.50 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$283.00 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$3.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00
\$100,001.00 and up	\$433.00 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$2.50 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof.

(b) All plan review and permit fees shall be based on 100% of the valuation so specified herein except for the following:

- Second Story - 50% of Main Floor Valuation
- Additions with Plumbing - 107% of Main Floor Valuation
- Dwellings without Plumbing - 90% of Main Floor Valuation
- Accessory Farm Buildings & Storage Utility Sheds
  - Concrete Floor - 80% of Garage Valuation
  - Dirt Floor - 60% of Garage Valuation
  - Pole & Roof Only/No sides - 40% of Garage Valuation
  - Greenhouse (Dirt Floor, Light Frame/Plastic Cover) - 40% of Garage Valuation
- Foundation (Existing Structure) - 10% of Main Floor Valuation

(c) For Fire Plan Reviews only and Building/Structural Permits which include required fire plans, add to the total valuation of the building structure a sum equal to \$1.30 per square foot for purposes of Snohomish County Code, Sections 17.02.008, .010 and .012.

17.02.110 Grading Permit Fees. The following Table applies to all grading plan reviews and permits:

500 cubic yards or less	\$10.00
501 to 1000 cubic yards	\$15.00 for the first 100 cubic yards plus \$7.00 for each additional 100 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
1001 to 10,000 cubic yards	\$78.00 for the first 1000 cubic yards, plus \$6.00 for each additional 1000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
10,001 to 100,000 cu. yds	\$132.00 for the first 10,000 cubic yards, plus \$27.00 for each additional 10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
100,001 cu. yds. or more	\$375.00 for the first 100,000 cubic yards, plus \$15.00 for each additional 10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.

The fee for a grading permit authorizing additional work to that under a valid permit shall be the difference between the fee paid for the original permit and the fee shown for the entire project.

17.02.120 Plumbing Permit Fees. In the case of residential plumbing permits or Master Permits which include residential plumbing permits, the applicant may obtain necessary plumbing permit for a fee of 20% of the building/structural permit fee provided for in this Chapter.

In all other cases, the following Table applies to all plumbing permits:

For each plumbing fixture or trap or set of fixtures on one trap (including water, drainage, piping and backflow protection therefor).....	3.00
For each building sewer and each trailer park sewer.....	6.00
Rainwater systems - per drain (inside building) .....	3.00
For each water heater and/or vent .....	3.00
For each gas piping system of one (1) to four (4) outlets .....	3.00
For each gas piping system of five (5) or more, per outlet .....	.75
For each industrial waste pre-treatment interceptor, including its trap and vent, excepting kitchen type grease interceptors functioning as fixture traps .....	3.00
For installation, alteration or repair of water piping and/or water treating equipment.....	3.00
For repair or alteration of drainage or vent piping.....	3.00
For each lawn sprinkler system on any one meter, including backflow protection devices therefor.....	3.00
For vacuum breakers or backflow protective	

devices on tanks, vats, etc. or for  
 installation on unprotected plumbing fixtures  
 including necessary water piping  
 one (1) to four (4) .....3.00  
 Five (5) or more, each..... .75

17.02.130 Mechanical Permit Fees. The following Table applies to all  
 mechanical permits:

For the installation, relocation or replacement  
 of each solid fuel burning appliance.....7.50  
 For the installation or relocation of each  
 forced-air or gravity-type furnace or burner,  
 including ducts and vents attached  
 to such appliance, up to and including 100,000 Btu/h.....6.00  
 For the installation or relocation of each  
 forced-air or gravity-type furnace or burner,  
 including ducts and vents attached  
 to such appliance over 100,000 Btu/h.....7.50  
 For the installation or relocation of each  
 floor furnace, including vent .....6.00  
 For the installation or relocation of each  
 suspended heater, recessed wall heater or  
 floor-mounted unit heater .....6.00  
 For the installation, relocation or replacement  
 of each appliance vent installed  
 and not included in an appliance permit .....3.00  
 For the repair of, alteration of, or  
 addition to each heating appliance,  
 refrigeration unit, cooling unit, absorption  
 unit, or each heating, cooling, absorption,  
 or evaporative cooling system, including installation of  
 controls regulated by this code .....6.00  
 For the installation or relocation of each boiler  
 or compressor to and including three horsepower,  
 or each absorption system to and including  
 100,000 Btu/h .....6.00  
 For the installation or relocation of each  
 boiler or compressor over three horsepower  
 to and including 15 horsepower, or  
 each absorption system over 100,000 Btu/h and  
 including 500,000 Btu/h .....11.00  
 For the installation or relocation of each boiler  
 or compressor over 15 horsepower to and  
 including 30 horsepower, or each absorption  
 system over 500,000 Btu/h to and including  
 1,000,000 Btu/h .....15.00  
 For the installation or relocation of each boiler  
 or compressor over 30 horsepower to and  
 including 50 horsepower, or for each absorption  
 system over 1,000,000 Btu/h to and including  
 1,750,00 Btu/h.....22.50  
 For the installation or relocation of each  
 boiler or refrigeration compressor over 50  
 horsepower, or each absorption system  
 over 1,750,000 Btu/h.....37.50  
 For each air-handling unit to and including  
 10,000 cubic feet per minute, including ducts  
 attached thereto.....4.50

NOTE: This fee shall not apply to an air-handling unit which is a portion of a factory-assembled appliance, cooling unit, evaporative cooler or absorption unit for which a permit is required elsewhere in this code.

For each air-handling unit over 10,000 cfm.....7.50  
For each evaporative cooler other than portable type .....4.50  
For each ventilation fan connected to a single duct .....3.00  
For each ventilation system which is not a portion of any heating or air-conditioning system authorized by a permit.....4.50  
For the installation of each hood which is served by mechanical exhaust, including the ducts for such hood .....4.50  
For the installation or relocation of each domestic-type incinerator .....7.50  
For the installation or relocation of each commercial or industrial-type incinerator.....30.00  
For each appliance or piece of equipment regulated by this code but not classed in other appliance categories, or for which no other fee is listed in this code .....4.50

When Chapter 22 of the Uniform Mechanical Code is applicable (see Section 103 thereof) permit fees for fuel-gas piping shall be as follows:

For each gas-piping system of one to four outlets .....2.00  
For each gas-piping system of five or more outlets, per outlet ..... .50

17.02.140 Fire Code Fees.

Annual Fire Inspection Fee

In accordance with Snohomish County Code, Section 16.04.070, the following schedule of fees shall be charged for all required inspections under Snohomish County Code, Sections 16.04.060, based upon square footage area of inspected premises:

Under	1,000 sq. ft.	\$25
1,001 -	2,500 sq. ft.	35
2,501 -	5,000 sq. ft.	50
5,001 -	100,000 sq. ft.	60
over	100,000 sq. ft.	60 + \$15 per hour actual time spent

17.02.150 Fire Works Permits. The fee for any fireworks retail or pyrotechnic permit is \$100.00. The fee for a fireworks wholesaler's permit is \$100.00.

17.02.160 Mobile Home/Accessory Permit Fees. Fees for each mobile home and accessory structure permit are as follows.

(a) Two Hundred Twenty five dollars (\$225.00) for each mobile home within Snohomish County that is not placed within an approved mobile home park.

(b) One Hundred Fifty dollars (\$150.00) for placement of each mobile home within an approved mobile home park.

(c) Seventy Five dollars (\$75.00) for each mobile unit used on site during construction of another on site structure, and for which structure a valid active permit is maintained.

(d) Two Hundred Twenty-five dollars (\$225.00) in addition to a plan review fee of a structure for commercial coaches.

(e) One Hundred Fifty dollars (\$150.00) with an annual renewal fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for a mobile unit placed on site as allowed under Snohomish County Code Chapter 18.82.

(f) Fees for all mobile home accessory structures shall be paid in accordance with Snohomish County Code Section 17.02.016.

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