No permit shall be issued by the Director of Code Enforcement until fees hereinafter prescribed have been paid to the City Controller and for which receipt has been noted on the application for the permit. No fee shall be required for work undertaken by the City of Niagara Falls, County of Niagara, the School District of Niagara Falls, the Niagara Falls Housing Authority, State of New York or the United States Government. The fees to be paid for permits shall be as follows:

A. **New Buildings & Additions To Existing Buildings.** This does not include mechanical equipment, plumbing, heating and electrical work(s), which require separate permits.

1. Residential buildings, including accessory structures, i.e. porches, carports, additions, garages, sheds, etc.

   - Per each 1,000 cubic feet $15.00
   - Minimum fee $45.00

2. Commercial and industrial buildings:

   - Per each 1,000 cubic feet $20.00
   - Minimum fee $250.00

B. **Other Work:**

1. **General remodeling, alterations, repairs:**

   - First $1,000 cost of construction $40.00
   - Each additional $1,000 cost or fraction thereof $20.00

2. **New siding or roofing** (100 feet is a square)

   - First 1,000 square feet (10 square) or less $50.00
   - Each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof $5.00

3. **Demolition of buildings:**

   **Volume of Buildings:**

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4. **Moving Buildings:**

   a. On or across a public thoroughfare, except as provided for in b and c herein, the sum of: $250.00

   b. Not exceeding 10 feet in width, 20 feet in length and 10 feet in height on vehicles over a public thoroughfare, the sum of: $100.00

   c. From one lot to another without moving onto a public thoroughfare, the sum of: $100.00

   d. From one location on a lot to another location on the same lot, the sum of: $50.00

5. **Miscellaneous:**

   a. Fences/residential
      Fences/commercial and/or industrial, the sum of: $150.00

   b. Swimming pools installation
      Above Ground $45.00
      Inground $100.00

   c. Mechanical equipment installation, including drain tile, not part of general building permits $50.00

   d. Trailer camp license renewal: $100.00

   e. Fireplaces and/or chimney: $50.00

   f. Insulation applications: $50.00

   g. Temporary tents, buildings, trailers: $150.00

   h. Others included but not limited to, windmills, parking lots, unvented heaters, antennae and satellite dishes: $35.00
      Per $1,000 with a minimum fee of: $100.00

   i. Solar panel systems installation:
      Residential $100.00
      Commercial and Industrial $500.00
6. **Signs Where Permitted, New or Additional, Including Alterations to Existing Signs:**

   a. Up to 100 square feet (each sign face): $65.00
   b. Each additional 100 square feet (per face): $25.00
   c. Awning and canopies (flat fee): $65.00
   d. Signage upon awning or canopy (flat fee): $65.00
   e. Awning and canopies with signage (flat fee): $130.00
   f. Free standing sign structure (excluding signage)
      - First $1,000 of cost: $100.00
      - Each additional $1,000 of cost: $50.00
   g. Billboard/Rooftop Billboard in Downtown Commercial District
      as per Sign Ordinance Section 1121.05(g): $5,000.00
   h. Billboard in other zoning districts as per Sign Ordinance
      Section 1121.05(h): $2,000.00
   i. “A” Frame Sidewalk Signs: $75.00

7. **Liquid Containers:**

   a. Tanks of 300 U.S. gallon capacity or less: $150.00
   b. Tanks of 600 U.S. gallon capacity or less: $200.00
   c. Tanks of 601 to 1,500 U.S. gallon capacity (inclusive): $250.00
   d. Tanks of 1,501 U.S. to 12,000 U.S. gallon capacity: $350.00
   e. Tanks over 12,000 U.S. gallons: $650.00
   f. Tank removals – one half of a, b, c, d, or e above
      in addition to fee for new installations, if any.
      Same as installation fee (when tank is removed & new
      installed-both fees apply).
   g. Tank relining or alterations: $50.00

8. **Certificates of Occupancy/Compliance/Completion:**

   a. When building permit is required: NO FEE
   b. Redated Certificate of Occupancy/Compliance/Completion:

      | Type          | Description                  | Fee  |
      |---------------|------------------------------|------|
      | Residential   | One dwelling unit:           | $40.00 |
      | Residential   | Each additional unit:        | $20.00 |
      | Commercial    | Per tenant:                  | $40.00 |
      | Commercial    | Each additional unit:        | $20.00 |
9. **Planning Fees:**
   a. Site Plan Application Fee: $10.00
   b. Filing Application for rezoning to the Niagara Falls Planning Board: $150.00
   c. Purchase of Zoning Book: $95.00
   d. Zoning Map: $12.00
   e. Comprehensive plan: $76.75
   f. Telecommunication Facility Application Fee: $500.00 plus

10. **Additional Fees:**
    a. Filing Board of Appeals Application: $150.00
    b. Home Improvement Registration License: $125.00
    c. Home Improvement Registration License Renewal: $125.00
    d. Tower Permit Fee $2,500.00 (base) plus $100.00 per foot for
       Every foot of tower height according to the following schedule:
       
       i) In excess of 50 feet in R-1, R-2, R-3, P/S & NPD Districts,
       or (Waterfront Overlay) WO-Zone 1, 3, & 4; or
       
       ii) In excess of 100 feet in C-1, C-2, C-3 Districts or WO-Zone 2; or
       
       iii) In excess of 150 feet in M-1 or M-2 Districts

11. **Plumbing, Drain and Sewer Cleaning and Mechanical Contracting Permit Fees:**
    a. Installation Cost: (Total Cost of Labor, Material, etc.)
       
       First $1,000.00: $25.00
       Each $1,000.00 or fraction thereof: $10.00
    b. Fixtures and appurtenances each: $10.00
    c. Water Heaters Up to 50 gallons in storage: $10.00
    d. Installation of sanitary or storm sewer piping for each 50 feet or fraction thereof: $30.00
    e. Water service and distribution piping for each 50 feet or fraction thereof: $30.00
For each backflow device certifying, testing and/or repairing:

- Up to 2 inches: $5.00
- Over 2 inches: $10.00

For each manhole, vault, interceptor, separator, sump and pumping system: $35.00

Miscellaneous items not covered are to be calculated based on installation cost in A.

Additional Plumbing Fees:

**Application to take the Plumbing Examination:**

- Master Plumber: $70.00
- Journeyman Plumber: $100.00

**Examination Fees:**

- Journeyman Plumber: $100.00
- Master Plumber: $200.00

**Registration Fees:**

- Mechanical or Fire Protection Contractor: $175.00
- Apprentice Plumber: $20.00
- Journeyman Plumber: $50.00
- Master Plumber: $200.00
- Reciprocal Journeyman Plumber: $150.00

**Renewal Fees:**

- Mechanical Contractor: $150.00
- Apprentice Plumber: $15.00
- Journeyman Plumber: $40.00
- Master Plumber: $150.00
- Inactive Master Plumbers: No fee

**Reinstatement Fees:**

- Apprentice Plumber: $20.00
- Journeyman Plumber: $50.00
- Master Plumber: $200.00
- Mechanical Contractor: $175.00

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### Security and Fire Alarms

- $35
- $75
- $100

### Renewal of Electrical Contractor’s License

- Active: $125.00
- Inactive: $40.00
- Initial issuance: $225.00
- Application to take exam: $125.00
- Security and Fire Alarm Permits: $35.00

### Plan Review Fee:

- Residential (new homes only): $150.00
- Commercial (new construction): $300.00
- Industrial (new construction): $400.00