

Proposed Fees for Mechanical Services

The following fees were adopted by the City Council on October 28, 2013 and are in reference to Chapter 1, Division II, Section 114 of the 2013 edition of the California Mechanical Code, providing for the collection of fees thereof. Where applicable, the fees reflect the appropriate compensation for the professional work required of Building Division staff at a rate of \$150 per hour.

MECHANICAL SERVICE	BASE FEE	+	(UNIT FEE	x	UNITS)
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I. MECHANICAL PERMIT ISSUANCE

Permit issuance	\$75.00				
Issuance of supplemental permit	\$10.00				

II. NEW BUILDING, ADDITION, OR ALTERATION FEE SCHEDULE

Residential additions and alterations less than 300 square feet					\$13.20 minimum
Residential additions and alterations 300 square feet and greater	\$0.044		x		(# of square feet)
New residential or multi-family residential buildings	\$0.022		x		(# of square feet)

III. UNIT FEE SCHEDULE

For the installation, relocation or replacement of each furnace or burner including ducts and vents attached to such appliance, heater, appliance, refrigeration unit, cooling or absorption unit, boiler, compressor, air-handling unit or process piping system			\$13.25		x		(# of installations)
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IV. ARCHIVE FEE

Archive Fee	0.04	x	(Mechanical Permit Fee)
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V. TECHNOLOGY FEE

Technology Fee	0.02	x	(Mechanical Permit Fee)
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VI. OTHER INSPECTIONS AND FEES

Plan Review Fees (if mechanical plans are submitted separately)	\$150	x	(# of hours, rounded to the nearest one-quarter hour, one hour minimum)
Inspection outside of normal business hours	\$180	x	(# of hours, rounded to the nearest one-quarter hour, one hour minimum)
Inspection for which no fee is specifically indicated	\$150	x	(# of hours, rounded to the nearest one-quarter hour, one hour minimum)
Third inspection or reinspection when such portion of work for which inspection is called for is not complete or when corrections called for are not made	\$150	x	(# of hours, rounded to the nearest one-quarter hour, one hour minimum)
Energy Conservation Inspection Fee	\$2.34		

VII. PENALTIES FOR WORK WITHOUT A PERMIT

Whenever a special investigation determines any work has commenced for which a permit is required without first having obtained said permit, a penalty, in addition to the Mechanical Permit Fee and any applicable Code Enforcement fees, shall be collected whether or not a permit is then or subsequently issued. The payment of such penalty shall not exempt any person from compliance with all provisions of the California Mechanical Code nor from any penalty prescribed by law. This provision shall not apply to emergency work when it shall be provided to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Supervisor/Building Official or the Authorized Representative that such work was urgently necessary.

Fee Plus Penalty for 1st time offenders	Mechanical Permit Fee	+	1	x	(Mechanical Permit Fee)
Fee Plus Penalty for 2nd time offenders	Mechanical Permit Fee	+	2	x	(Mechanical Permit Fee)
Fee Plus Penalty for 3rd time or more offenders	Mechanical Permit Fee	+	10	x	(Mechanical Permit Fee)

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VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

Administrative Review by the Chief Building Supervisor/Building Official or the Authorized Representative:

1. Alternate Method of Construction	\$180	x	(# of hours, rounded to the nearest one-quarter hour, \$360 minimum deposit)
2. Request for re-evaluation of Mechanical Code requirement	\$180	x	(# of hours, rounded to the nearest one-quarter hour, \$360 minimum deposit)

Extension or Reactivation of Permit (Non-Code Enforcement):

1. Extension of Permit which is about to expire	0.50	x	(permit issuance fee)
2. Reactivation of expired Permit, more than 180 days but less than 360 days, or Code Enforcement timelines as applicable	0.75	x	(permit issuance fee)
3. Reactivation of expired Permit, more than 360 days, or Code Enforcement timelines as applicable	1.00	x	(permit issuance fee)

IX. FEE REFUNDS [1]

Permit Fees

The Chief Building Supervisor/Building Official or the Authorized Representative may authorize the refund of any permit fee paid when no work has been done under a permit issued in accordance with this code, or for a permit which has been paid and is withdrawn or cancelled without any inspection, provided the permit has not expired.

Refund	0.65	x	(Mechanical Permit Fee)
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Plan Review Fees

The Chief Building Supervisor/Building Official or the Authorized Representative may authorize the refund of a building division plan review fee when plan review has not commenced.

Refund	0.65	x	(Mechanical Plan Review Fee)
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[1] When a fee refund occurs, the City will retain no more than \$1,000 to cover administrative costs.