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MINISTRY OF WORKS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT



S. I. No. 70 of 2013

**BUILDINGS REGULATION ACT
(CHAPTER 200)**

**BUILDINGS REGULATION (GENERAL)(AMENDMENT)
RULES, 2013**

The Minister in exercise of the powers conferred by section 19 of the Buildings Regulation Act (*Ch. 200*) makes the following rules —

1. Citation and commencement.

- (1) These Rules may be cited as the Buildings Regulation (General) (Amendment) Rules, 2013.
- (2) These Rules shall come into operation on the 1st day of July, 2013.

2. Repeal and replacement of First Schedule to Sub. Leg. Vol. III, Ch. 200 – p. 3.

The First Schedule to the Buildings Regulation (General) Rules is repealed and replaced as follows —

“FIRST SCHEDULE

(Rule 13)

FEES PAYABLE FOR PERMITS

1. Building Permit

The fee for a building permit shall be as follows —

Where the gross area of the floor space is —

Less than 500 sq. feet	\$75.00
501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,000 sq. feet	\$15.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,500 sq. feet	\$20.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof

1,501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 5,000 sq. feet	\$25.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
5,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 10,000 sq. feet.	\$30.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
10,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 15,000 sq. feet.	\$35.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
15,000 sq feet or over	\$40.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof

*In addition to the fee for a building permit, an additional \$20.00 is payable for the Stage Inspection letter required by Banks and other lending institutions.

2. Renewals of a Building Permit

The fee for the renewal of a building permit per eighteen month period shall be as follows —

Where the gross area of the floor space is —

Less than 1,000 sq. feet	\$ 50.00
1,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,500 sq. feet	\$100.00
1,501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 5,000 sq. feet	\$150.00
5,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 10,000 sq. feet	\$200.00
10,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 15,000 sq. feet	\$250.00
Over 15,000 sq. feet	\$500.00

3. Non-refundable Application Fee

A non-refundable application fee for a building permit shall be as follow—

Where the gross area of the floor space is —

Less than 500 sq. feet	\$25.00
501 sq feet or over but not exceeding 1,000 sq. feet	\$50.00
1,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,500 sq. feet	25% of total application fee

1,501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 5,000 sq. feet	25% of total application fee
5,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 10,000 sq. feet	25% of total application fee
10,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 15,000 sq. feet	25% of total application fee
Over 15,000 sq. feet	25% of total application fee

4. Conversions/Renovations/Alterations

The fee for conversions, renovations and internal alterations shall be as follows —

Where the gross floor area space is —

Under 1,000 sq. feet	\$10.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,500 sq. ft.	\$15.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 5,000 sq. feet	\$20.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
over 5,000 sq. feet	\$25.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof

5. Miscellaneous

Fence, wall, retaining wall or similar structure	\$15.00 per 100 linear feet or part thereof
Removal of a building in one piece without demolition and re-erection	\$100.00 each building
Bulkhead wall for dock or land reclamation.	\$15.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof gross area contained within inner dimensions of

	bulkhead and existing high water mark
Awning or Canopy (horizontal projection/sq. ft. area)	\$0.25 per sq. feet or part thereof
Agricultural building	\$5.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
Demolition	\$100.00 per building
Swimming pools	\$120.00
Tents/Miscellaneous structures	\$100.00
MEP (mechanical/electrical/plumber) without a superstructure	\$50.00
Paving (parking lots greater than 1,000 sq. ft)	\$2.00/100 sq. ft.

6. Building Inspection Fees

The following fees shall apply for the inspection of skilled work carried out in commercial buildings —

Plumbing —

Water, sanitary and drainage systems (*new construction or additions*)

Where the gross floor area space is —

Under 1,000 sq. feet	\$10.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,500 sq. ft.	\$15.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 5,000 sq. feet	\$20.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
over 5,000 sq. feet	\$25.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
Boilers – pressure/steam/hot water (new installations)	\$150.00

<i>Diesel/LP Gas System installations</i>	\$50.00 per tank
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Electrical —

Electrical Wiring Circuits (*new construction or additions*)

Where the gross floor area space is —

Under 1,000 sq. feet	\$10.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,001 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 1,500 sq. ft.	\$15.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
1,501 sq. feet or over but not exceeding 5,000 sq. feet	\$20.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof
over 5,000 sq. feet	\$25.00 per 100 sq. feet or part thereof

Electrical Service	\$5.00 per 100 amp fraction thereof
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Generators or Transformers	N/A
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Elevators/Lifts/Escalators —

Passenger Elevator or Escalator

Initial installation	\$250.00 per shaft
Bi-annual inspection	\$100.00 per shaft

Freight Service Elevator	\$200.00 per shaft
Dumbwaiter	\$100.00 per shaft

Fire Detection System —

(Includes fire alarm systems, halon, etc)	\$150.00 per system
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Fuel Installations —

Initial inspection	\$1,000.00
Annual inspection	\$500.00".

Made this 26th day of June, 2013.

Signed

PHILIP DAVIS

Minister Responsible for Building Regulations
