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FY 2010-2011 Fire Prevention Inspection Fee Schedule

Fire Inspection Program Time Periods and Fees/Fines

1 st Inspection (Initial).....	\$0.00
2 nd Inspection (After 30-days).....	Potential Fines
3 rd Inspection (After 30-days).....	Potential Fines
4 th Inspection (After 10-days).....	Civil Penalties & Fines Issued
5 th Inspection (After 10-days).....	Civil Penalties & Fines, plus Civil Action, Misdemeanor Charges

Home, Adult & Child Care Facilities Inspections

Foster Home Inspections	\$ 0.00
Adult & Child Day Care Inspections.....	\$ 0.00
Home Fire Safety Inspections.....	\$ 0.00

Fire Code and Life Safety Violations

Overcrowding.....	\$ 500.00
Unauthorized Burning.....	\$ 100.00
Blocked/ Impeded Exits	\$ 200.00
Spraying Operation Not Complying To Code	\$ 100.00
Alarm System Needs Testing/Maintenance.....	\$ 100.00
Suppression System Needs Testing/Maintenance.....	\$ 100.00
Sprinkler System Needs Testing/Maintenance.....	\$ 100.00
Unauthorized Storage.....	\$ 100.00
General Violations	\$ 50.00 per offence
Matters Not Provided For.....	Any other violations of the NC Fire Code or Town of Atlantic Beach Ordinance not specifically codified shall be fined \$50.00

Definitions of Life Safety Violations

Overcrowding – (\$500) A condition that exists when either there are more people in a building, structure or portion thereof than have been authorized or posted by the fire code official, or when the fire code official determines that a threat exists to the safety of the occupants due to persons sitting and/ or standing in locations that may obstruct or impede the use of aisles, passages, corridors, stairways, exits or other components of the means of egress.

Unauthorized Burning – (\$100) The burning of materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber. Open burning does not include road flares, smudge pots and similar devices associated with safety or occupational uses typically considered open flames or recreational fires.

Blocked/ Impeded Exits – (\$200) Any obstruction in the required width of a means of egress. ("Means of Egress" is the continuous and unobstructed path of vertical and horizontal egress travel from any point in a building or structure to a public way, consisting of three separate and distinct parts: the exit access, the exit, and the exit discharge.)

Spraying Operation Not Complying To Code – (\$100) Spraying flammable or combustible finishes without a properly installed spray booth or approved spraying area.

Alarm System Needs Testing/Maintenance – (\$100) Failure to have required testing and maintenance conducted of fire alarm system(s), and to have required documentation of test(s).

Suppression System Needs Testing/Maintenance – (\$100) Failure to have required testing and maintenance conducted of Alternative Automatic Fire-Extinguishing Systems and to have required documentation of test(s). Includes Commercial Hood and Duct systems, Wet –chemical, Dry-chemical, Foam, Carbon Dioxide systems, Halon systems and Clean Agent systems.

Sprinkler System Needs Testing/Maintenance – (\$100) Failure to have required testing and maintenance conducted on fire sprinkler system(s), and to have required documentation of test(s).

Unauthorized Storage – (\$100) The storage of flammable, combustible or hazardous liquids or materials improperly stored and/or without a permit. (This violation applies to facilities that are required to report under the Hazardous Chemicals Right-to-Know Act.)

Permits:

Note: All Fire Protection Permits are issued through the Town of Atlantic Beach Building Inspections department.

Note: The Town of Atlantic Beach DOES NOT issue permits for OPEN BURNING or INDOOR PYROTECHNIC DISPLAYS. The use of indoor pyrotechnics and open burning is prohibited within the corporate limits of the Town of Atlantic Beach.

Note: Double Permit Fee will be charged for any permit for which work was done prior to permit being issued.

Required Construction Permits (As described in Section 105.7 of NC Fire Code)

Flammable and Combustible Liquids (per site).....	\$ 50.00
Spraying & Dipping (Rooms, Booths, Dip Tanks).....	\$ 50.00
Hazardous Materials.....	\$ 100.00
Sprinkler System.....	\$ 300.00/system + \$1.00 per sprinkler head
Fire Alarm/Detection Systems.....	\$ 50.00
Alternative Fire Suppression Systems.....	\$ 50.00
Standpipe Systems.....	\$ 50.00
Compressed Gas Systems.....	\$ 50.00
Fire Pump Install/ Modification.....	\$ 50.00
Stationary Batter Systems (> 50 gal. liquid capacity).....	\$ 50.00
Industrial Ovens.....	\$ 50.00
LP Gas.....	Regulated & Issued by Department of Agriculture
Private Fire Hydrants.....	\$ 50.00

Special Permits (Operational/ Construction)

Fireworks Display, Explosives, Blasting, Ammunitions.....	\$ 100.00
Carnivals and Fairs.....	\$ 50.00
Exhibits & Trade Shows.....	\$ 50.00
Temporary Membrane Structures, Tents, & Canopies.....	\$ 50.00

Required Operational Permits (As described in Section 105.6 of NC Fire Code)

Amusement Buildings.....	\$ 50.00
Burning.....	Not Allowed in Town of AB
Carnivals & Fairs.....	\$ 50.00
Combustible Dust Producing Operations.....	\$ 50.00
Compressed Gases.....	\$ 50.00
Covered Mall Buildings.....	\$ 50.00
Exhibits & Trade Shows.....	\$ 50.00
Explosives.....	\$ 50.00
Flammable & Combustible Liquids (per site).....	\$ 50.00
Fumigation/Thermal Insecticidal Fogging.....	\$ 50.00
Hazardous Materials (per site).....	\$ 100.00
Hot Work Operations.....	\$ 50.00
Industrial Ovens.....	\$ 50.00
Spraying & Dipping.....	\$ 50.00
Liquid & Gas Fueled Vehicles or Equipment in Assemblies..	\$ 50.00
AGST/UGST Install/ Alter/ Removal/ Abandonment.....	\$ 100.00
Other.....	\$ 50.00

False Alarm Schedule

False Alarms after Three Alarm Trips (Per Year).....	\$100.00
False Alarms after Five Alarm Trips (Per Year).....	\$ 500.00
False Alarms after Ten Alarm Trips (Per Year).....	\$1,000.00

Fines for false alarm trips are issued for failure to maintain or make required repairs to fire alarm systems. Fines will not be issued for alarm trips due to natural causes, mischief or accidental activation of alarm systems that are maintained appropriately and functional.