

ORDINANCE 2022-20

BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN

Adopted September 6, 2022

Ordinance 2010-15, adopted on November 1, 2010, amended Chapter 150, Sections 150-3 and 150-4, Building Code and Subcode fees. It was further amended by Ordinance 2016-17, adopted December 19, 2016, Ordinance 2018-08, adopted September 4, 2018, and Ordinance 2018-14, adopted December 2, 2018. It is now being presented for further amendment.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 150 is amended in part in regard to Section 150-3 and 150-4, Building Code and Subcode Fees as follows (based upon the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, Chapter 23 of Title 5 of the NJ Administrative Code):

Section 150-3: **Construction Permit Fees.** The fee for a construction permit shall be the sum of the subcode fees listed in (1) through (6) hereof and shall be paid before the permit is issued.

A. Building Subcode fees:

1. A minimum fee for the building subcode shall be seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars.
2. For new construction volume (cubic feet) multiplied by 0.050.
3. For renovations, alterations and repair thirty five (\$35.00) dollars per one thousand dollars of estimated cost of work.
4. For combinations of renovations and additions, the sum of the fees computed separately as renovations and additions.

5. Flat Fees

a. Tank Removal	\$75.00
b. Shed (Less than 300 square feet)	\$75.00
c. Fireplace	\$75.00
d. Pools Above ground	\$75.00
In-ground	\$120.00
e. Signs	\$5.00 per square feet
f. Demolition One car garage	\$70.00
Two car garage	\$100.00
One family dwelling	\$500.00
Two family dwelling	\$500.00
Multi-family dwelling	\$1,000.00
Commercial Building	\$1,000.00
g. Tents	\$92.00
h. Monitoring Wells	\$60.00 per well

6. Certificate of Occupancy fee is 10% of total permit costs

B. Plumbing Subcode Fees:

1. A minimum fee for the plumbing subcode shall be seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars.
2. The fee shall be in the amount of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars per fixture, piece of equipment or appliance connected to the plumbing system, and for each appliance connected to the gas or oil piping system.

For the purpose of computing this fee, fixtures shall include but not be limited to lavatories, kitchen sinks, slop sinks, urinals, water closets, bathtubs; shower stalls laundry tubs, floor drains, drinking fountains, dishwashers, garbage disposals, hot water heaters, washing machines or similar devices.

3. The fee shall be in the amount of Sixty-Five (\$65.00) dollars per special devices.

For the purpose of computing this fee, special devices shall include but not be limited to steam boilers, furnaces, A/C units, grease trap, interceptor/separator, water connection, sewer connection, sewer ejector, sewer pumps, backflow preventer, and tank installation.

C. Electrical Subcode Fees:

1. A minimum fee for the electrical subcode shall be seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars.
2. For the purpose of computing fees, outlets or fixtures shall include, but not be limited to, lighting fixtures, switches, smoke or heat detectors, convenience receptacles, burglar alarms, intercom panels, thermostats, and motors and devices of less than 1 h.p. or 1 k.w.

From 1 to 25 receptacles or fixtures	\$50.00
For each additional 25 receptacles or fixtures	\$50.00

3. For the purpose of computing these fees, the term service panel, sub-panel, feeder, switches, and switchboards:

Up to 100 amps	\$100.00
101 to 201 amps	\$175.00
Each additional 100 amps	\$50.00

4. For the purpose of computing these fees, all motors except those in plug-in appliances shall be counted, including control equipment, generators, transformers and all heating, cooking or other devices consuming or generating electrical current:

Motors and electrical devices:	
1 h.p. up to 5 h.p.	\$50.00
6 h.p. up to 25 h.p.	\$75.00
26 h.p. up to 100 h.p.	\$100.00
For each increase of 50 h.p.	\$25.00

Transformers and generators over, 1 kw up to 5 kw	\$50.00
6 kw up to 25kw	\$75.00
26 kw up to 100 kw	\$100.00
For each increase of 50 kw	\$25.00

5. The fees for pools, fountains and similar installations	
Above ground, includes bonding & motor	\$100.00
In-ground, includes bonding & motor	\$150.00
6. Light standards	\$100.00

D. Fire Subcode fees:

1. Hard wire interconnected smoke detectors (R3 & R5)	\$25.00 per unit
2. For fire sprinkler system the fee shall be as follows:	
20 or fewer heads	\$100.00
21 to 100 heads	\$200.00
101 to 200 heads	\$350.00
201 to 400 heads	\$800.00
401 to 1000 heads	\$1,200.00
Over 1000 heads	\$1,500.00

In computing fees for heads and detectors, the number shall be counted separately and two fees, one for heads and one for detectors, shall be charged.

3. Fire standpipe system	\$267.00
4. Independent pre-engineer system	\$250.00
5. Gas or oil-fired appliance	\$75.00
6. Kitchen exhaust system	\$100.00
7. Incinerator system	\$426.00
8. Crematorium system	\$426.00
9. Smoke control system	\$300.00

E. Zoning Fees:

- a. \$125.00 Residential
- b. \$200.00 Commercial
- c. \$1,000.00 (annually) Massage Parlor
- d. \$2,000.00 (annually) Tattoo parlor, Body Piercing Establishment (excluding ear piercing) (Proof of active current license)
- e. \$1,000.00 (annually) Microblading
- f. \$150.00 (annually) Tanning Salon
- g. Late Fees: for E (c), E (d), E (e), and E (f), if any fee is not paid within 30 days of its due date, a late fee surcharge of \$75.00 will be assessed for each calendar month or any part thereof following the due date of such fee. These late fees will be collected by the Municipal Clerk's Office prior to the issuance of any permit or license.

F. Sewer Connection Fee:

\$1,800.00 per connection

G. Certificate of continuing occupancy.

The Construction Department shall prepare appropriate application forms for a certificate of continuing occupancy. These forms shall be requested and completed by the owner, agent, realtor, broker, or other individual of such property and a certificate granted before a change of ownership shall take place.

H. Certificate of lease occupancy and registration.

The Construction Department shall prepare appropriate application forms for a certificate of leased occupancy and the registration of each property. These forms shall be requested and completed by the owner, agent, broker or other individual representing such rental properties. Inspections shall be arranged for, completed, and a certificate granted before any actual change in occupancy shall take place

I. The following will be a per-unit fee.

- 1. Initial inspection (more than 72 hours' notice): \$125.
- 2. Reinspection: \$80.
- 3. Emergency inspection (less than 72 hours' notice): \$150

J. Multi-dwelling and apartment building inspections at time of sale.

- 1. The Construction Department shall inspect and issue certificates of continued occupancy on the sale of residential multiple-dwelling units and apartment buildings in order to ensure compliance with the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code,

New Jersey State Uniform Fire Code, International Property Maintenance Code, New Jersey State Housing Code, New Jersey Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Code and Regulations adopted for all buildings, structures and premises within the established boundaries of the Borough of Dunellen.

2. In performing said inspections, the following fees shall be charged to the seller of the residential multiple-dwelling unit or apartment buildings:

- (a) Fewer than nine units: \$100 per unit.
- (b) Ten to 50 units: \$1,500 flat fee.
- (c) Fifty-one to 100 units: \$2,500 flat fee.
- (d) Commercial space: \$300 plus per-dwelling-unit fee above.

K. The fees for Section J shall be paid before a permit is issued.

L. Violations and penalties.

Any person or persons who violates any provision of this article is subject to penalties of not more than \$2,000.00.