

Valley Regional Fire Authority 2024 Fee Schedule

Effective January 1, 2024 and will remain in effect unless amended by the VRFA Board of Governance

| | Activity | Fee |
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| 1 | Building Department Review (Includes Initial Inspection) | |
| 1.1 | Commercial Occupancy Review | 35% of Jurisdictional Permit Fee ¹ |
| 1.2 | Multi-Family Occupancy Review (R2) | 20% of Jurisdictional Permit Fee ¹ |
| 1.3 | Other Permit Fees (mechanical, plumbing etc...) | \$262.00 ³ |
| 1.4 | Revisions to previously reviewed plans | \$262.00 ³ |
| 1.5 | Single Family Occupancy Review (R3) | 15% of Jurisdictional Fee ² |
| 2 | Land Use Reviews | |
| 2.1 | Boundary Line Adjustment | \$132.00 ³ |
| 2.2 | Civil Reviews (FAC, hydrant placement, fire flow, fire department access, grading) | \$262.00 ³ |
| 2.3 | Preliminary Plat and Plat Reviews (subdivisions) | \$262.00 ³ |
| 2.4 | Other Permit Fees (miscellaneous, administrative, etc...) | \$132.00 ³ |
| 2.5 | SEPA review | \$262.00 ³ |
| 2.6 | Short Plat Review | \$262.00 ³ |
| 2.7 | Variances | \$132.00 ³ |
| 2.8 | Water Availability Reviews | \$132.00 ³ |
| 3 | Fire Protection Systems (Includes Plan Review and Initial 2 Inspections) | |
| 3.1 | Commercial Automatic Fire Protection System (Fire Sprinkler) | \$431.00 + \$0.75 per sprinkler head over 10 heads ³ |
| 3.2 | Commercial and Residential Automatic Fire Protection System (Underground Fire Sprinkler Line) (WAC 105.7.20) | \$431.00 per system / building ³ |
| 3.3 | Commercial Automatic or Manual Fire Alarm Systems | \$431.00 + \$5.00 per device over 5 devices ³ |
| 3.4 | Commercial Kitchen Fire Protection System | \$431.00 + \$0.75 per sprinkler head over 10 heads ³ |
| 3.5 | Commercial: Other Fire Protection Systems (clean agent, FM200, wet or dry chemical, CO2, foam, mist, inert gas, and other systems) | \$431.00 + \$0.75 per sprinkler head over 10 heads ³ |
| 3.6 | Emergency Responder Radio Coverage System (DAS) | \$431.00 + \$0.75 per device ³ |
| 3.7 | Fireworks Display Permit | \$431.00 ¹¹ |
| 3.8 | Fireworks Sales Permit without a tent | \$100.00 ^{3, 10, 11} |
| 3.9 | Fireworks Sales Permit with a tent | \$262.00 + \$100 ^{3, 10, 11} |
| 3.10 | Other Miscellaneous Plan Review not listed | \$431.00 ³ |

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| 3.11 | Over the Counter Permit (fire sprinkler with less than 10 sprinkler heads, or fire alarm with less than 5 devices) | \$132.00 ³ |
| 3.12 | Residential (R3) Fire Sprinkler System | \$132.00 ³ |
| | Spray Booth Installation | |
| 3.13 | Spray Booth Installation (MEC or TEN) | \$132.00 ³ |
| 3.14 | Spray Booth Fire Protection System | \$431.00 + \$0.75 per device over 10 devices ³ |
| 3.15 | Spray Booth Fire Alarm System | \$431.00 + \$5.00 per device over 5 devices ³ |
| 4 | Other Fire Permits (Includes Plan Review and Initial 2 inspections)⁴ | |
| 4.1 | Battery Systems | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.2 | New Business License Review | Included with Fire Benefit Charge |
| 4.3 | Compressed Gases | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.4 | Cryogenic Fluids | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.5 | Fire Pump & Equipment | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.6 | Flammable and Combustible Liquids (including above ground tanks, below ground tanks, dip tanks, etc...) installation and repair | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.7 | Commercial Flammable and Combustible Liquids tank removal | \$431.00 ³ |
| 4.8 | Hazardous Materials Facility | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.9 | Industrial Ovens | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.10 | LP Gas Commercial | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.11 | LP Gas Residential | \$431.00 ³ |
| 4.12 | Marijuana Extraction Systems (WAC 105.7.19) | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.13 | Commercial Heating Tank Removal | \$431.00 ³ |
| 4.14 | Residential Home Heating Tank Removal | \$132.00 ³ |
| 4.15 | Solar Photovoltaic Power Systems, Residential | \$132.00 ³ |
| 4.16 | Solar Photovoltaic Power Systems, Commercial | \$784.00 ³ |
| 4.17 | Temporary Tent/Membrane Structure > 400 square feet | \$262.00 ³ |
| 4.18 | Working without a permit or ahead of the permit | Double the permit and inspection fee |
| 5 | Inspection Fees | |
| 5.1 | Initial Inspection | Included in the permit fee |
| 5.2 | 1st Re-inspection | Included in the permit fee |
| 5.3 | 2nd Re-inspection | \$262.00 for first 2 hours ³ |

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| 5.4 | Any subsequent (after 2nd) re-inspection | \$262.00 for first 2 hours ³ |
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| 5.5 | After Hours Inspection (Outside of normal business hours) | \$198.19 per hour (2 hour minimum) ^{3,8,9} |
| 5.6 | Progressive Inspections (beyond the first 2 inspections) | \$132.00 per hour (2 hour minimum) ³ |
| 5.7 | Re-inspection (due to a failure to cancel appointment or work not ready for inspection at time of appointment) | \$132.00 per hour (2 hour minimum) ³ |
| 6 | Pre-Application Fees | |
| 6.1 | Pre-Application Fees | Included with Fire Benefit Charge |
| 7 | Consultant Fees | |
| 7.1 | Use of Outside Consultants for Plan Review and Inspection, and Rapid Access Equipment | Actual Costs |
| 8 | Other Fire Authority Fees | |
| 8.1 | Fire Ambulance Transport Fee | ##### |
| 8.2 | Fire Ambulance Transport Mileage | \$23.00 per mile |
| | False Alarm Responses (within a calendar year) | |
| | Preventable Nuisance or Malfunction Alarm - 1st and 2nd violation | No Penalty |
| | Preventable Nuisance or Malfunction Alarm - 3rd violation | \$84.00 |
| | Preventable Nuisance or Malfunction Alarm - 4 or more violations | \$167.00 |
| | Public Records Requests RCW70.020.010 & WAC 246-08-400 | |
| | Description | Rate |
| | General Records - paper copies | \$0.15 per page |
| | General Records - electronic copies | \$0.10 per page + cost of media |
| | Medical Incident Reports - Clerical Fee | \$25.00 per report |
| | Medical Incident Reports - paper copies - Pages 1-30 | \$1.12 per page |
| | Medical Incident Reports - paper copies - Pages 31+ | \$0.84 per page |
| | Medical Incident Reports - electronic copies | \$0.10 per page + cost of media |
| | Outsourced copying & scanning | Actual cost + cost of media |
| | Records mailed or shipped | Actual cost of postage and container |
| | Video and audio tapes | Actual cost to reproduce |
| 10 | OPERATIONAL PERMITS | |
| The International Fire Code 105.6 Required Operational Permits authorizes the fire code official to issue operational | | |
| | Permit type | Fee |
| 10.1 | Aerosol products | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.2 | Amusement building | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.3 | Aviation facilities | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.4 | Carbon dioxide systems | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |

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| 10.5 | Carnivals and fairs | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.6 | Combustible dust producing operation | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.7 | Combustible fibers | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.8 | Compressed gases | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.9 | Cover and open mall buildings | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.10 | Cryogenic fluids | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.11 | Cutting and welding | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.12 | Dry cleaning | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.13 | Exhibits and trade shows | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.14 | Explosives | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.15 | Flammable and combustible liquids | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.16 | Fruit and crop ripening | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.17 | Fumigation and insecticidal fogging | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.18 | Hazardous materials | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.19 | High piled storage | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.20 | Hot work operations | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.21 | Industrial ovens | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.22 | Lumber yards and woodworking plants | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.23 | Liquid or gas fueled vehicles or equipment in assembly buildings | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.24 | Liquid Petroleum (LP) gas | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.25 | Magnesium | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.26 | Miscellaneous combustible storage (tires, empty packing cases, rubber) | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.27 | Motor fuel dispensing facilities | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.28 | Organic coatings | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.29 | Place of assembly | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.30 | Private fire hydrants | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.31 | Refrigeration equipment | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.32 | Repair garages and motor fuel dispensing facilities | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.33 | Spraying or dipping operation using flammable or combustible liquids or powders | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.34 | Storage of tires, scrap tires, and by-products or rebuilding plants | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.35 | Waste handling | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.36 | Wood products | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |
| 10.37 | Commercial kitchens with type I or type II hoods (ACC 10.36A.025) | Included with the Fire Benefit Charge |

Explanatory notes:

1. The VRFA establishes its review and inspection fees on a percentage of the permit fee assessed by the authority having jurisdiction. Using a percentage of the jurisdictional fee as the basis of VRFA fees eliminates the need to adjust the VRFA fee schedule every time a jurisdictional fee changes.
2. The fee only applies to single family occupancies that require fire protection systems.
3. Hourly rate is based on the direct costs of VRFA staff time, salary, benefits, overhead, administrative costs, and resources.
4. Includes plan review and first two inspections.
5. Preventable nuisance and malfunction false alarms exist to reduce unwarranted calls that remove emergency apparatus from service. Though there is no penalty for 1st and 2nd violations, it provides the opportunity for the VRFA to educate owners about any mechanical problems within a system that may not be the fault of occupancy tenants. It further grants the opportunity for repair technicians to correct any deficiencies that may exist. Subsequent false alarms incur a penalty in an attempt to encourage needed repairs of the associated systems.
6. The VRFA Fire Marshal is authorized to reduce any fees for permits. In compelling cases where the applicant - the party responsible for payment of such fees - is an organization exempt from taxation under 26 USC 501(c)(3), and where the permit relates directly to the provision of charitable services to residences of the VRFA service area, the VRFA Fire Marshal is vested with discretion to reduce any fees for permits, publications, and actions by up to 50%.
7. Permits that are not completed and no project improvements are made can, in writing, ask for the inspection fees to be refunded.
8. The VRFA will attempt to accommodate a client's requests for inspections outside of normal working hours. If there is not an inspector available, the request may be denied. If a client requests such inspection and the inspection cannot be completed for any of the reasons outlined above, the Department shall retain the minimum inspection fee and is authorized to deny any future requests. A 24 hour notice for cancellations is required for refund of fees.
9. After hour inspection fees are charged when an inspection is performed outside of normal work hours at the client's request.
10. Fees in accordance to RCW 70.77.555
11. If an inspection for a fireworks display/firework sales permit is scheduled outside of normal VRFA hours for the Fire Marshal's Office, it will be billed at a two-hour minimum in accordance with line 5.5 in this fee schedule.