

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS  
FEE SCHEDULES  
Effective November 1, 2012**

**SECTION 1**

The purpose of this schedule is to establish, regulate, and control permit, inspection, subdivision and planned development plat filing, zoning petition, and other fees related to the Building Inspections Department.

**SECTION 2**

**A. Building Permit Fees**

Fees for buildings and structures, other than manufactured (mobile) homes, signs and fences, shall be determined by dollar valuation totals as listed in the table below. Cost of construction or total dollar valuation shall be determined by the Director of Inspections, and shall be calculated from the cost of construction data published by the International Code Council.

<b>TOTAL VALUATION</b>	<b>FEE</b>
\$100.00 or less	No fee, unless inspection is required, in which case a \$10.00 fee will be charged.
\$101.00 to \$2,000.00	\$10.00 per thousand or fraction thereof.
\$2,001.00 to \$15,000.00	\$20.00 for the first \$2,000.00, plus \$5.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$15,000.00.
\$15,001.00 to \$50,000.00	\$85.00 for the first \$15,000.00, plus \$4.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00.
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$242.50 for the first \$50,000.00, plus \$4.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00	\$442.50 for the first \$100,000.00, plus \$3.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00.
\$500,001.00 and up	\$1,842.50 for the first \$500,000.00, plus \$3.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof.

## SECTION 2 Cont'd

### B. Super Permit Building Fees

Single-family residential building projects that reach a minimum, threshold valuation of \$50,000.00 will be issued a Super Permit. This Super Permit will be issued to the General Contractor and will include all structural, plumbing, electrical (including temporary service poles located on that lot), and mechanical work. Individual trade permits will not be issued for these projects.

TOTAL VALUATION	FEES
\$50,001.00 TO \$100,000.00	\$384.00 for the first \$50,000.00, plus \$4.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00	\$609.00 for the first \$100,000.00, plus \$4.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00.
\$500,001.00 & above	\$2,209.00 for the first \$150,000.00 plus \$3.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof.

## SECTION 3

### Other Fees

A. Permit fees for manufactured (mobile) home installation and temporary construction trailers shall be \$75.00.

B. Permit Fees for Signs:

1. For new permanently erected signs, including billboards, the fee shall be \$50.00 per sign.
2. A separate fee of \$25.00 shall be charged for each face of an existing sign or existing billboard sign that displays a different or separate advertising message.
3. For temporary signs, the fee shall be at no cost.

C. Moving of Buildings or Structures:

1. The fee for moving any building or structures, other than manufactured (mobile) homes, signs, or fences, shall be \$50.00.

D. Demolition of Buildings or Structures:

1. The fee for demolition of any building or structure other than manufactured (mobile) homes, signs, or fences, shall be \$50.00.

## **SECTION 3 Cont'd**

### **E. Driveway Permit Fees:**

1. The fee for driveway permits shall be \$30.00.

### **F. Residential Roofing Permit Fees:**

1. The fee for residential roofing permits shall be \$40.00.

### **G. Business License Inspections:**

1. A fee of \$30.00 shall be charged on all business license inspections other than the initial business being located in a newly finished building.

### **H. Re-inspection Fee:**

1. A fee of 50.00 will be charged if a re-inspection is required, examples: not able to inspect job, job not ready for inspection, or third inspection required on same code violation, etc.

### **I. Fees for any other construction work:**

1. Fees for any other construction work i.e; road and curb cuts etc., which is not established in this schedule shall be determined by the Director of Inspections.
2. A fee of \$20.00 will be charged for the placement or construction of all fences within the City Limits of Hinesville.

### **J. Plan Checking Fees.**

1. When the valuation of the proposed construction exceeds \$1,000.00, and a plan is required to be submitted by the Director of Inspections, a plan checking fee shall be paid. Said plan checking fee shall be equal to one half of the building permit fee.

### **K. Payment of fees:**

1. All fees shall be paid prior to the permit being issued. No inspections shall be conducted prior to the fees being paid and the permit being issued, unless prior approval is obtained from the Director of Inspections.

## **SECTION 4**

### **Starting Work Without a Permit**

Where work for which a permit is required is started prior to obtaining the required permit, the fees herein specified shall be doubled, but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve any persons from fully complying with the requirements of the Building Code in the execution of the work nor from any other penalties prescribed in the City of Hinesville Code of Ordinances.

## SECTION 5

### Electrical Permit and Inspection Fees

#### A. Permit Fee

A fee of \$20.00 shall be charged for issuing each permit.

#### B. Inspection Fees

##### (1) Outlets and sockets or fixtures including low voltage services.

15 or less	\$ 3.00
16 to 25	5.00
26 to 40	8.00
41 to 70	14.00
71 to 100	16.00
101 to 150	20.00
151 to 250	30.00
251 or more	40.00

*\*Plug mold is figured as one (1) outlet per five feet (25 feet = 5 outlets).*

##### (2) Services (New or Change)

60 Amps or less	\$14.00
61 Amps to 100 Amps	20.00
101 Amps to 200 Amps	30.00
201 Amps to 400 Amps	40.00
401 Amps and over	50.00
Each temporary service	20.00

##### (3) Air Conditioners and Motors

From 0 to 1 HP	\$ 6.00
Over 1 to 3 HP	7.00
Over 3 to 8 HP	8.00
Over 8 to 15 HP	10.00
All over 15 HP	12.00
Packaged heating or AC Units	10.00

##### (4) Miscellaneous

Water Heater (elect.)	\$ 5.00	Electric Disposal	\$5.00
Electric Welders	20.00	Electric Range	5.00
Electric Heaters	10.00	Electric Range Split Unit	3.00
Electric Ceiling Fans	5.00	Electric Gas/Oil Heaters	5.00
Electric Exhaust Fans	3.00	Electric Washing Machine	5.00
Electric Dryer	5.00	Loud Speaking System	20.00
Electric Dishwasher	5.00	Bell Transformer	2.00
Exit Lights	4.00	Smoke Detector	2.00
Microwave	5.00	Strip Heat	10.00
AC Window Unit	5.00	Ice Maker	10.00
Swimming Pool	10.00	Refrigeration (coolers)	10.00
Special Outlets	20.00	Sign Circuit	20.00
Intercommunication Systems	20.00		

**SECTION 5 Cont'd**  
**Electrical Permit and Inspection Fees**

C. Re-inspections:

If a re-inspection is required, an additional \$50.00 will be charged.

D. Other Fees:

Fees for any other wiring which is not established in this schedule shall be determined by the Director of Inspections.

1. Power Release Inspections are required by Georgia Power if a property's electrical service has been disconnected for over one year. A fee of \$30.00 shall be charged.

E. Working Without a Permit:

When work for which a permit is required is started prior to obtaining the permit, the fees shall be doubled, but the payment of such doubled fee shall not relieve any person(s) from fully complying with the requirements of the State Electrical Code nor from any penalties prescribed in the City of Hinesville Code of Ordinances.

F. Payment of Fees:

All fees shall be paid prior to the permit being issued. No inspections shall be conducted prior to the fees being paid and the permit being issued.

**NOTES:**

## SECTION 6

### Gas Permits and Inspection Fees

A. Permits:

A base permit of \$20.00 shall be charged for issuing each permit.

B. Inspection Fees:

(1) 1 to 4 Outlets: \$5.00 plus \$2.00 for each additional outlet over 4.

(2) Conversion burners, floor furnaces, incinerators, boilers, central heating or air conditioning units:  
\$5.00 for one (1) unit plus \$2.00 for each additional unit.

(3) Wall furnace, water heater: \$2.50 for one (1) unit plus \$2.00 for each additional unit.

C. Re-inspection Fees:

If a re-inspection is required, an additional fee of \$50.00 will be charged.

D. Other Fees:

Fees for any other gas work which is not established in this schedule shall be determined by the Director of Inspections.

E. Working Without a Permit:

When work for which a permit is required is started prior to obtaining the permit, the fees shall be doubled, but the payment of such doubled fee shall not relieve any persons from fully complying with the requirements of the State Gas Code nor from any penalties prescribed in the City of Hinesville Code of Ordinances.

F. Payment of Fees:

All fees shall be paid prior to the permit being issued. No inspection shall be conducted prior to the fees being paid and the permit being issued. A base permit fee of \$20.00 shall be charged for issuing each permit.

1 to 4 Outlets	\$10.00
Each add'l outlet over 4	2.00
Conversion burner	5.00
Floor Furnace	10.00
Incinerators	10.00
Boilers	10.00
Central Heat of A/C unit	10.00
Add'l Heat and A/C unit	2.00
Wall heater or water heater	5.00
Each add'l wall heater or water heater	2.00
Circulator	5.00
Space heater (count as outlet)	
Unit heater (count as outlet)	
Cooking range	5.00
Hot plate	0.00
Automatic controls (count as outlet)	
Dryer	5.00
Bake oven	5.00
Refrigerator	5.00
Grill stub (count as outlet)	

## SECTION 7

### Mechanical Permit and Inspection Fees

A. Permits.

A fee of \$20.00 shall be charged for issuing each permit.

B. Inspections Fees.

1. The fee for inspection heating, ventilating, ductwork, air conditioning, and refrigeration systems shall be \$10.00 for the first one thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, of valuation of the installation plus \$3.00 for each additional thousand dollars or fraction thereof.

2. The fee for inspecting repairs, alterations, and additions to existing systems shall be \$5.00 for the first one thousand dollars or fraction thereof, plus \$3.00 for each additional thousand dollars or fraction thereof.

3. Boilers (based of BTU input):

33,000 BTU (1 BHP) to 165,000 BTU (5 BHP)	\$10.00
165,001 BTU (5 BHP) to 330,000 BTU (10 BHP)	20.00
330,001 BTU (10 BHP) to 1,165,000 BTU (52 BHP)	30.00
1,165,001 BTU (52 BHP) to 3,300,000 BTU (98 BHP)	50.00
Over 3,300,000 BTU (98 BHP)	70.00

C. Re-inspection Fees:

If a re-inspection is required, an additional fee of \$50.00 will be charged.

D. Other Fees:

Fees for any other mechanical work which is not established in this schedule shall be determined by the Director of Inspections.

E. Working Without a Permit:

When work for which a permit is required is started prior to obtaining the permit, the fees shall be doubled, but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve any persons from fully complying with the requirements of the State Mechanical Code nor from penalties prescribed in the City of Hinesville Code of Ordinances.

F. Payment of Fees:

All fees shall be paid prior to the permit being issued. No inspection shall be conducted prior to the fees being paid and the permit being issued.

## SECTION 8

### Plumbing Permits and Inspection Fees

A. Permits:

A fee of \$20.00 shall be charged for issuing each permit.

B. Inspections Fees:

(1) For each plumbing fixture, floor drain/trap (including water and drainage)	\$ 5.00
(2) For each house or building sewer	10.00
(3) Replace or repair house or building sewer	5.00
(4) For each water heater	5.00
(5) Repair or alteration of drainage or vent pipe	5.00
(6) For installation, alteration, or repair of water piping	10.00
(7) For installing, repairing, replacing vacuum breakers or BF protector devices, for 1-5	5.00
Plus \$1.50 for each device over five (5)	
(8) Septic tank or drainfield	20.00
(9) Grease traps (inside)	5.00
(10) Grease traps (outside)	30.00
(11) Lawn sprinkler systems	10.00

C. Re-inspection Fees:

If a re-inspection is required, an additional fee of \$50.00 will be charged

D. Other Fees:

Fees for any other plumbing work which is not established in this schedule shall be determined by the Director of Inspections.

E. Working Without a Permit:

When work for which a permit is required is started prior to obtaining the permit, the fee shall be doubles, but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve any persons from complying with the requirements of the State Plumbing Code nor from penalties prescribed in the City of Hinesville Code of Ordinances.



**MISCELLANEOUS FEES COLLECTED  
WATER & SEWER IMPACT FEES  
Inside City  
Collected by Department of Inspections**

Meter Size	Water Meter	Water Impact	Total
3/4 inch	\$ 550.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 1170.00
1 inch	\$ 710.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 2,980.00
1 ½ inch	\$ 1025.00	\$ 2,480.00	\$ 3,505.00
2 inch	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 4,400.00	\$ 6,250.00
3 inch	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 9,920.00	\$ 12,720.00
4 inch	\$ 5,550.00	\$ 17,630.00	\$ 23,180.00
6 inch	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 39,680.00	\$ 48,380.00
8 inch	(includes box) \$ 17,000.00	\$ 70,540.00	\$ 87,540.00
10 inch	\$ 26,550.00	\$110,220.00	\$136,770.00

**Water Meter:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Totals:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Backflow Type:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Size Meter** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fee \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Double Check** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Impact Fee** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fee \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **R P Z** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Water Fees \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sewer Fee:**

**Average Daily Usage** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gallons**

**Average Daily Usage** \_\_\_\_\_  $\div$  350 = \_\_\_\_\_ **ERU's (round ERU to two decimals)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **ERU's x \$2,710.00** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fee \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Infrastructure Fee of \$1,000.00 per ERU for properties within Independence which connect to that infrastructure.**

**Misc:**

**Road Cut:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fee \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fee \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL FEES \$** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*Fee may be increased if located outside the City Limits\*\*\*\*\*