

**County of Santa Barbara**  
**Planning and Development Department**  
**Building and Safety Fees**  
**Building Fees**

**Note: Base fees in table below are for single story structures.**

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OCCUPANCY	PLAN CHECK		INSPECTION	
	Base Fee	Each add'l sq ft	Base Fee	Each add'l sq ft
<b>R-3 Interior Remodel with no Structural</b>				
250 sq ft	694	1.1106	803	0.2838
500 sq ft	971	0.2776	874	0.1892
1,000 sq ft & up	1,110	0.1388	969	0.1892
<b>R-3 New, Additions, Modifications with Structural</b>				
100 sq ft	720	2.0130	1,537	4.2570
500 sq ft	1,527	0.9023	3,240	0.9318
2,500 sq ft	3,332	0.2554	5,104	0.3443
5,000 sq ft	3,971	0.2707	5,965	0.6611
7,000 sq ft & up	4,512	0.1805	7,286	0.3895
<b>R-1, R-2 New Multi Family</b>				
1,000 sq ft	2,777	0.9978	3,240	0.1952
5,000 sq ft	6,768	0.3471	4,020	0.6149
10,000 sq ft	8,782	0.2082	7,096	
20,000 sq ft	10,586	0.1909		
30,000 sq ft & up	12,494	0.0955		
Each add'l unit (more than 10 but fewer than 20) (inspection only)			709	
Each add'l unit (20+) (inspection only)			355	
<b>A) Group A, H, E and I With TI</b>				
1,000 sq ft	3,470	1.2473	See Commercial - New Construction Below	
5,000 sq ft	8,460	0.8590		
10,000 sq ft	12,754	0.3124		
20,000 sq ft	15,878	0.2864		
30,000 sq ft	18,742	0.1432		
50,000 sq ft	21,604	0.1432		
<b>B) Group B and M With TI</b>				
1,000 sq ft	2,777	0.7441	See Commercial - New Construction Below	
5,000 sq ft	5,753	0.2950		
10,000 sq ft	7,229	0.1770		
20,000 sq ft	8,998	0.1622		
30,000 sq ft	10,620	0.0811		
50,000 sq ft	12,244	0.0811		

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<b>C) Group F and S With TI</b>				
1,000 sq ft	2,777	0.4902	See Commercial - New Construction Below	
5,000 sq ft	4,738	0.2430		
10,000 sq ft	5,952	0.1457		
20,000 sq ft	7,410	0.1336		
30,000 sq ft	8,746	0.0669		
50,000 sq ft	10,083	0.0669		
<b>Commercial - New Construction</b>				
1,000 sq ft	See Occupancy Categories Above		3,240	0.1952
5,000 sq ft			4,020	0.6149
10,000 sq ft			7,096	0.5203
20,000 sq ft			12,298	
Each add'l 1,000 sq ft above 20,000			138	
<b>Tenant Improvement - no Structural</b>				
500 sq ft	25% of commercial fee for each TI project		1,064	0.3389
1,000 sq ft			1,537	0.2365
2,000 sq ft			1,774	0.4730
3,000 sq ft			2,247	0.2956
<b>Tenant Improvement - with Structural</b>				
250 sq ft	25% of commercial fee for each TI project		1,182	0.4730
500 sq ft			1,301	1.1825
1,000 sq ft			1,892	0.3547
2,000 sq ft			2,247	0.5912
3,000 sq ft			2,838	0.2365

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**Additional Factors - Plan Check:**

Attached Residential Accessory (garage, workshop, storage, etc.), inclusive of private garages in R1 and R2	Add to base fee, 50% of the R3 New, Additions, Modifications with Structural fee
Detached Residential Accessory (garage, workshop, storage, etc.), Commercial barns and greenhouses	Separately charge 50% of the R3 New, Additions, Modifications with Structural fee
Minor Plan Check Modifications	Hourly, 1/2 hour minimum
Podium Structure	Charge for Podium and Super Structure separately; for mixed use within Podium or Super Structure, see Mixed Occupancies below
Shell Buildings	Reduce base fee by 50%
Additional stories and basement	20% of base fee per additional floor or basement level
Foundation:	
Raised Floor	Add 5% to base fee
Post Tension Foundation (slab on grade with post tension)	Add 10% to base fee
Pier and Grade Beam	Add 5% to base fee
In Fire Hazard Zone	Add 5% to base fee
In Flood Zone	\$139
Breakaway Walls in Flood Zone	\$2,776
Special Features:	
Light Frame Building with non-proprietary lateral load resisting system, such as steel moment or braced frame, concrete or masonry shear walls, etc.	\$278 for first; \$139 each additional
SIP (Structural Insulated Panel)	Add 10% to base fee
Insulated Concrete Form Walls	Add 10% to base fee
Repeat Unit Permitting & Plan Check*:	* Each model will be charged at full plan check fee. Models with minor deviations will be charged on hourly basis
Tract housing repeat unit	\$577
Identical apartment or multi-unit residential	\$577
Structural Post-Tension Slab (elevated slab with post tension)	Actual Cost
Code Enforcement Coordinations	Hourly, 1/2 hour minimum
Type of Construction:	
Type VB	Add 0% to base fee
Type IIIB and IV	Add 3% to base fee
Type IB and IIB	Add 5% to base fee
Type VA	Add 10% to base fee
Type IIIA	Add 13% to base fee
Type IA and IIA	Add 15% to base fee

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**Additional Factors - Plan Check:**

Mixed Occupancies / Separated	Add 10% to base fee. Occupancy with highest fee to be used as base fee.
Non-Wood Frame Structure, such as steel, concrete, or masonry	Add 25% to base fee

**Additional Factors - Inspections:**

Attached Residential Accessory (garage, workshop, storage, etc.), inclusive of private garages in R1 and R2	Add to base fee, 50% of the R3 New, Additions, Modifications with Structural fee
Detached Residential Accessory (garage, workshop, storage, etc.), Commercial barns and greenhouses	Separately charge 50% of the R3 New, Additions, Modifications with Structural fee
Additional Stories and Basement	15% of base fee per additional floor or basement level
Mixed Occupancies / Separated	\$473 for each additional occupancy type
Caissons/Piles	\$473 extra fee
Light frame building with non-proprietary lateral load resisting system, such as steel moment or braced frame, concrete or masonry shear walls, etc.	\$167 per frame/shear wall
Hillside Property	1st 5,000 sq ft: \$473. Each additional 1,000 sq ft: \$118
Basement	1st 3,000 sq ft: \$473. Each additional 1,000 sq ft: \$118
Fire Zone	1st 3,000 sq ft: \$237. Each additional 1,500 sq ft: \$118
Fire Rated Type A Construction	1st 3,000 sq ft: \$473. Each additional 1,000 sq ft: \$166
Insulated Concrete Form Walls	Add 10% to base fee
Shell Buildings	Reduce base fee by 50%
Non-woodframe structure, such as a steel, concrete or masonry	Add 25% to base fee
Repeat Unit*	* Each model will be charged at full inspection fee.
Tract housing repeat unit	90% of base fee
Identical apartment or multi-unit residential	90% of base fee

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 Other Items - Fire**

Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>Fire Alarm System - New Construction:</b>		
1-50 Devices	362	591
51-100 Devices	486	722
Every 50 Devices above 100	194	95
<i>Sprinkler Monitoring System</i>	<i>included above</i>	
<b>Fire Alarm System - Tenant Improvements:</b>		
1-50 Devices	64	520
51-100 Devices	64	626
Every 50 Devices above 100	36	118
<i>Sprinkler Monitoring System</i>	<i>included above</i>	
<b>Other Suppression Systems:</b>		
Inert Gas Systems	111	241
Dry Chemical Systems	111	241
Wet Chemical/Kitchen Hood	111	241
Foam Systems	111	241
Paint Spray booth	334	568
Fire Pumps (each)	111	496

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 Miscellaneous Items**

Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>Administrative &amp; Miscellaneous Fees</b>		
Board of Appeals - Filing / Processing	194	
Board of Appeals - Appeal Hearing	actual cost	
Caisson - not part of a building	136	263
Carport - pre-fab	111	179
Cellular / Mobile Phone Tower	334	433
Change of Occupancy No T.I. w/ plan check & Inspection	actual cost	actual cost
Certificate of Occupancy	84	
Cistern	166	140
Deck / Balcony - first 300 sf	111	202
Each additional 100 sf	84	13
Demolition	84	151
Entry Gates	111	173
Retaining Wall (concrete or masonry) - Not part of structure	actual cost	actual cost
Storage Racks > 5'9"	actual cost	actual cost
<b>Fence or Wall (wood, chain link, wrought iron):</b>		
> 8 feet in height, first 100 lf	139	138
Each additional 100 lf	28	2
<b>Fence or Freestanding Wall (masonry / garden):</b>		
Up to 12', first 100 lf	334	647
Greater than 12', first 100 lf	444	872
Each additional 100 lf	84	27
<b>Grading (Cut and Fill):</b>		
Site Investigation	58	119
Grading Plan Review	84	
Grading Bond Processing	111	
Grading Plan Copy and Retention	41	
50-100 CY	723	782
101 - 500 CY	1,166	1,135
500 - 1,000 CY	2,887	1,917
Each additional 100 CY or portion thereof	8	75
10,000 CY (minimum)	4,442	8,915
Each additional 1,000 CY or portion thereof	5	101
100,000 CY (minimum)	5,692	18,209
Each additional 10,000 CY or portion thereof	26	118

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Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>Erosion Control Permit:</b>		
< 1 acre	111	733
1 acre or more / SWPPP	250	actual cost
Agriculture (2 year permit)	334	852
Storm Drain (> 6" pipe diam) - first 100 lf	111	190
each additional 100 lf	28	95
Brush Removal - Plan Review	444	24
Brush Removal - Inspection		662
<b>Patio Cover (includes ICC Products):</b>		
Lattice first 500 sf	41	161
Solid cover first 500 sf	55	194
Each additional 500 sf	5	29
Engineered design (not ICC products - additional fee)	41	73
<b>Patio Enclosure:</b>		
Wood frame up to 1,000 sf	47	398
each additional 1,000 sf	3	4
Other frame (ICC products) up to 1,000 sf	47	281
additional 1,000 sf	3	2
Engineered design (not ICC products) up to 1,000 sf	48	247
additional 1,000 sf	3	4
Enclosure walls under existing roof first 1,000 sf of enclosed area	31	173
each additional 1,000 sf of enclosed area	5	4
<b>Pile Foundation:</b>		
Cast in Place Concrete - each 5 piles	153	171
Driven (steel, pre-stressed concrete) - each 5 piles	153	181
<b>Re-roofing - Residential:</b>		
First 10 squares or 1,000 sf	58	206
Each additional 10 squares		9
Roof Structure Replacement / Upgrade	111	485
<b>Re-roofing - Commercial:</b>		
First 20 squares or 2,000 sf	41	192
Each additional 10 squares	13	22
<b>Signs:</b>		
Pole	actual cost	actual cost
Monument	actual cost	actual cost
Wall / Roof	actual cost	actual cost

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Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>Swimming Pool / Spa (in-ground):</b>		
Vinyl-lined / fiberglass	166	426
Gunite (up to 800 sf)	166	433
Each additional 800 sf	84	22
Commercial pool (up to 800 sf)	111	527
Each additional 800 sf	84	42
Subterranean Pool Equipment Structure	actual cost	384
<b>Trellis:</b>		
First 500 sf	111	138
each additional 500 sf	84	24
Engineered design (additional fee)	111	140
Alternate Methods and Materials	actual cost	actual cost
ICC Fee - if required		35
<b>Other Miscellaneous</b>		
Drainage structure/manhole	111	177
Minor Alteration (Over the Counter) Permit	111	386
Moved / Relocated Building (within 25 miles of County offices)	84	212
Each additional 10 miles (or portion thereof)		106
Master Plan Coord - Prod. Unit	166	384
Temporary Occupancy Permit	111	24
Bridge	actual cost	actual cost
Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWEL0)	actual cost	actual cost
Fireplace - Masonry - stand alone permit	actual cost	actual cost
Fireplace - Manufactured	222	332
Flag pole (greater than 6' in height)	222	307
Planner Post Approval Review of Final Plans	249	
<b>SERVICES BEYOND STANDARD FEES (BILLED AT ACTUAL COST)</b>		
Supplemental Plan Check (half-hour increment)	139	
Supplemental Inspection (half-hour increment)		118

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Note:

sf = square fee

lf = linear fee

cy = cubic yards

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**Mechanical, Plumbing, and Electrical Permit Fees**

Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND MISC FEES</b>		
Minor Permit Review and Issuance	79	
Revisions to permitted projects	194	24
Annual Maintenance Permit	125	actual cost
Mobile Home Park Annual Operating Permit (per State Health & Safety Code)	140	
Mobile Home Park Annual fee per lot (per State Health & Safety Code)	7	4
Mobile Home Park - Change in name, transfer of ownership or possession	10	
Mobile Home Park - Duplicate permit fee or amended permit fee	10	
<b>MECHANICAL PERMIT FEES</b>		
FAU less than 100,000 Btu/h	47	125
FAU greater than 100,000 Btu/h	69	227
Floor furnace (including vent)	47	125
Suspended, wall, or floor-mounted heaters	47	125
Appliance vents not included in an appliance permit		177
Addition to each heating appliance, refrigeration unit, cooling unit, absorption unit, or each heating, cooling, absorption, or evaporative cooling system	69	177
Boiler or compressor, up to 3HP / Absorption system up to 100,000 Btu/h	28	198
Boiler or compressor, from 3HP to 15 HP / Absorption system from 100,000 Btu/h to 500,000 Btu/h	69	227
Boiler or compressor, from 15 HP to 30 HP / Absorption system from 500,000 Btu/h to 1,000,000 Btu/h	125	247
Boiler or compressor, from 30 HP to 50 HP, / absorption system from 1,000,000 Btu/h to 1,750,000 Btu/h	153	276
Boiler or compressor, over 50 HP / Absorption system over 1,750,000 Btu/h	153	398
Air-handling unit, including attached ducts.	31	171
Air-handling unit over 10,000 CFM	31	212
Evaporative cooler	28	165
Ventilation fan connected to a single duct	21	122
Ventilation system (not a portion of heating or a/c system)	26	122
Hood and duct system	153	340
Incinerator, residential	26	142
Commercial or Industrial-type incinerator	31	161
Misc. appliances or equipment	31	192
Stand Alone Mechanical Plan Check	actual cost	24
Other Mechanical Inspections		actual cost

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Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>PLUMBING / GAS PERMIT FEES</b>		
Plumbing fixtures, including piping (each 10 fixtures)	13	192
Building sewer install / repair / replacement (per 100 lf)	13	263
Rainwater systems (per drain)	28	171
Water Piping Replacement (each 2,500 sf)	13	185
Gas Piping, New or Replace, stand alone permit (each 2,500 sf)	15	198
Water Heater	30	94
Industrial waste pretreatment interceptor	265	496
Water treating equipment, including piping (each)	13	130
Repair or alteration of drainage or vent piping, each fixture	13	124
Backflow devices - each unit	28	122
Atmospheric-type vacuum breakers: 1-5 units	28	212
Atmospheric-type vacuum breakers: each additional 5 units	28	27
Solar installations	194	220
Stand Alone Plumbing Plan Check	actual cost	24
Other Plumbing and Gas Inspections		actual cost
<b>ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES</b>		
Special Events:		
Electrical re-wiring (each 2,500 sf)	125	374
Electric generator and electrically-driven rides	125	374
Mechanically-driven rides/ attractions with electrical lighting	125	374
Each system of area and booth lighting	125	284
Receptacle, Switch, and Lighting Outlets:		
First 10	84	204
Each Additional 10	13	29
Pole or platform-mounted lighting fixtures (each 5)	55	266
Theatrical-type lighting fixtures or assemblies (each)	250	247
Residential Fixed Appliances (each 5)	28	212
Nonresidential Fixed Appliances (each 2)	28	241

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Fee Title	Plan Check Fee	Inspection Fee
<b>Power Apparatus:</b>		
Motors, generators, transformers, rectifiers, synchronous converters, capacitors, industrial heating, air conditioners and heat pumps, cooking or baking equipment, and other apparatus:		
<i>Rating in horsepower (HP - motors) or kilovolt-amperes (KVA - transformers)</i>		
Up to and including 1 (each 9)	41	212
Over 1 and not over 10 (each 7)	55	255
Over 10 and not over 50 (each 5)	69	305
Over 50 and not over 100 (each 3)	97	390
Over 100 (each)	111	461
Roof mounted photovoltaic system - 3 power apparatus	84	299
Ground mounted photovoltaic system - 3 power apparatus	84	299
<i>Note: These fees include all switches, circuit breakers, contactors, thermostats, relays, and other directly related control equipment.</i>		
<b>Busways:</b>		
Trolley and plug-in-type busways - each 100 ft or fraction thereof	208	165
<i>(An additional fee will be required for lighting fixtures, motors, and other appliances that are connected to trolley and plug-in-type busways. No fee is required for portable tools.)</i>		
<b>Signs, Outline Lighting, and Marquees:</b>		
Signs, Outline Lighting, or Marquees supplied from one branch circuit (each)	55	192
Additional branch circuits within the same sign, outline lighting system, or marquee (each)	28	42
<b>Services:</b>		
Services of 600 volts or less and not over 200 amperes in rating (each)	55	171
Services of 600 volts or less and over 200 amperes to 1000 amperes in rating (each)	125	192
Services over 600 volts or over 1000 amperes in rating (each)	236	270
Miscellaneous Apparatus, Conduits, and Conductors	139	177
Electrical apparatus, conduits, and conductors for which a permit is required, but for which no fee is herein set forth	69	177
Temporary Power Service	180	263
Temporary Power Pole	55	64
Sub Poles (each)	3	13
Stand Alone Electrical Plan Check	actual cost	24
Other Electrical Inspections		actual cost

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