City of Hermosa Beach  
Community Development Department  
Building Division  

Building Permit Fees  

HOW MUCH WILL MY BUILDING PERMIT COST?  

Building Permit and Plan Check Fees are derived from the project valuation. The following valuation rates (measured in dollars per square foot (SF)) are used by the Building Division to establish the valuation for conventional residential construction.  

Habitable Floor Area: $174.82/SF  
Garage Floor Area: $45.99/SF  
Decks and Balconies: $27.48/SF  

Sample: New Single Family Dwelling Unit (DU) with 3,000 SF Habitable Area, 424 SF Garage and 400 SF Deck  

$174.82X 3,000 SF = $ 524,460.00  
$45.99X 424 SF = $ 19,499.76  
$27.48X 400 SF = $ 10,992.00  
Total Valuation: $584,951.76  

Building Permit Fee: Based on Total Valuation From Above (See Attachment)  

$1,621.44 ($1,621.44 for first $100,000)  
+4,500.80 ($9.28 X ($485,000/1000))  
$6,122.24  

Plan Check Fee: 80% of Permit Fee  

$6,122.24  
X .80  
$4,897.79
Miscellaneous Fees:

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<td>Fire Flow (Hydrant) Fee(^1)</td>
<td>$3,000 + $424 + $400 = $3,824 SF X 9.4(\text{c}) =</td>
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<td>Parks and Recreation Fee(^1,2)</td>
<td>1 DU X $7,793</td>
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<td>City Sewer Use Fee(^1)</td>
<td>1 DU X $4,610</td>
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<td>State Seismic Fee</td>
<td>$584,951.76 X 0.013%</td>
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<td>State BSC Admin Fund(^3)</td>
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<td>General Plan Maint. Fee(^4)</td>
<td>$3 X 585 ($584,951.76 / $1,000)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Miscellaneous Fees</strong>(^5)</td>
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Miscellaneous Fees: $14,496.54
Building Permit Fee: 6,122.24
Plan Check Fee: 4,897.79
Records Technology Fee (7%): 771.40 (applies to Building Permit & Plan Check fees only)
**Total for Sample Dwelling:** $25,608.92

The above describes how building permit, plan check and other fees are derived for a particular project. All listed fees are not applicable to every project. Please see attached fee schedules for further clarification. Also, the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code has provisions for credits in most cases when existing square footage is demolished.

**Other Types of Projects**

Although different square foot figures are used in other than wood frame construction, building permits and plan check fees are always derived from Table 3-A (attached). Fire Flow Fees are 9.4\(\text{c}\) (residential) and 11.9\(\text{c}\) (commercial) per square foot for new construction and additions, and different sewer use fees are applicable for different uses. Parks and Recreation Fees apply only to residential construction. Please consult our Building Division staff for further information.

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\(^1\) Credits are available in these categories if existing square footage is demolished or dwelling units are replaced.

\(^2\) Parks and Recreation Fees for condominium projects are $14,096.00/DU.

\(^3\) State Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund: $1 per every $25,000 permit valuation.

\(^4\) General Plan Maintenance Fee (applies to projects with valuation of $100,000 or more): $3 per every $1,000 permit valuation.

\(^5\) These fees do not include the L.A. County Sanitation Fee and School Facility Fee which are paid directly to the L.A County Sanitation Districts Office and Redondo Beach School District. Credits are available for existing dwelling units or square footage. The following applies to this sample permit:

a) L.A. County Sanitation Fee: 1 DU X $4,610 = $4,610
b) School Facility Fee (habitable area only): 3,000 SF X $2.63 = $7,890.