



ORDINANCE 2015-9

Amending and Supplementing Chapter 22, Buildings and Building Regulations, Regarding Certain Construction Code Fees

WHEREAS, as a result of a periodic review of Construction Code fees, the Construction Official has recommended changes to Chapter 22, Buildings and Building Regulations, with regard to certain fees; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council believes that such changes are in the best interest of the Township;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of South Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that:

I. Chapter 22 of the South Brunswick Code shall be and is hereby amended and supplemented as follows, with deletions in strikethrough and additions in underline:

Sec. 22-67. Fees.

(A) *Construction permits.* The fee for a construction permit shall be the sum of the following subcode fees and shall be paid before the permit is issued:

m. The minimum fee for any residential building permit shall be \$50.00; the minimum fee for any commercial building permit shall be \$85.00.

(2) The plumbing subcode fee for all uses shall be as follows:

b. For the installation of appliances and equipment, including but not limited to, tanks, grease traps, water conditioning equipment, refrigeration equipment, ~~air conditioning equipment, furnace,~~ to design piping systems, lawn sprinklers, generators and oil separators: \$50.00 per unit.

g. The minimum fee for any residential plumbing permit shall be \$50.00; the minimum fee for any commercial plumbing permit shall be \$85.00.

k. For the installation of residential furnaces or air conditioning equipment: \$60.00 per unit; for the installation of commercial furnaces or air conditioning equipment: \$85.00.

(3) The electrical subcode fees shall be as follows:

a. Receptacles and fixtures.

1. From one to 25 receptacles or fixtures, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$35.00~~ \$45.00 for residential and ~~\$50.00~~ \$60.00 for commercial, both new and replacement.

2. For each set of 25 receptacles or fixtures in addition to subsection (a)(3)a.1. of this section, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$15.00~~ \$25.00 for residential and ~~\$25.00~~ \$40.00 for commercial for both new and replacement.

3. For the purpose of computing this fee, receptacles or fixtures shall include lighting outlets, wall switches, fluorescent fixtures, convenience receptacles, similar

fixtures, smoke detectors and photovoltaic modules.

4. The minimum fee for any residential electrical permit shall be \$50.00; the minimum fee for any commercial electrical permit shall be \$85.00.

b. Motors and electric devices.

1. For each motor or electric device of less than one horsepower or one kilowatt, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$10.00~~ \$15.00.
2. For each number of electric devices of one horsepower or one kilowatt to five horsepower or five kilowatts, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$12.00~~ \$30.00.
3. For each motor or device of greater than five horsepower or five kilowatts, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$12.00~~ \$36.00 plus ~~\$1.00~~ \$4.00 for each increment of five horsepower or five kilowatts up to 50 horsepower or 50 kilowatts; thereafter, the fee shall be increased ~~\$1.00~~ \$3.00 for each increment of ten horsepower or ten kilowatts.
4. For the purpose of computing this fee, all motors shall be counted, including control equipment; generators; transformers; inverters; and all electric heating, cooking or other devices consuming or generating electric current including elevators.

c. Residential service panels.

1. For each residential service panel of 100 amperes capacity or less, or service to any part thereof, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$50.00~~ \$65.00.
2. For each residential service panel of greater than 100 amperes capacity, the fee shall be increased ~~\$10.00~~ \$20.00 for each 100-ampere increment or fraction thereof.
3. For the purposes of computing this fee, the term "residential service panel" shall include service conductors, feeders, switchboards, switches and panel boards.
4. For each temporary residential service panel for residential, the fee shall be in the amount of \$50.00.

d. ~~There shall be a minimum charge for any electrical subcode permit of \$50.00~~
Reserved.

e. The electrical subcode fee for private in-ground swimming pools or spas shall be ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00 and for aboveground pools or spas, ~~\$100.00~~ \$125.00. The electrical subcode fee for public in-ground swimming pools shall be ~~\$250.00~~ \$275.00. For the purpose of computing this fee, the term "swimming pool" shall include bonding, bonding grid, filter, heater, pump, receptacle and lights associated with the swimming pool. The fee for an annual pool inspection, for all public or commercial pools, shall be \$100.00 per pool or spa.

f. For signs, the fee shall be ~~\$75.00~~ \$85.00.

g. For billboards, the fee shall be ~~\$100.00~~ \$120.00.

h. Communications devices, commercial:

1. From one to 25 devices, the fee shall be \$50.00.
2. For more than 25 devices, the fee shall be \$100.00.

i. ~~Reserved~~ For micro inverters, the fee shall be \$10.00 for each inverter.

j. For a lawn sprinkler system: \$50.00.

k. For a residential alarm system: \$50.00.

l. For a commercial alarm system: ~~\$75.00~~ \$85.00.

m. The fee for any residential furnace and/or air conditioning replacement shall be ~~\$50.00~~ \$60.00.

n. Commercial service panels, including temporary panels.

1. For each commercial service panel of 100 amperes capacity or less, or service to any part thereof, the fee shall be in the amount of ~~\$65.00~~ \$85.00.

For each commercial service panel of greater than 100 amperes capacity, the fee shall be increased ~~\$20.00~~ \$30.00 for each 100-ampere increment or fraction thereof.

3. For the purposes of computing this fee, the term "commercial service panel" shall include service conductors, feeders, switchboards, switches and panel boards.

o. For replacement of commercial furnace or air conditioning unit of 100 amperes the fee shall be \$85.00, with an increase of \$15.00 for each additional 25 amperes.

(4) The fire subcode fee schedule shall be as follows:

s. The minimum fee for any residential fire permit shall be \$50.00; the minimum fee for any commercial fire permit shall be \$85.00.

II. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this ordinance or any other codes or ordinances incorporated herein shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder hereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered.

III. This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after its final passage.

The above ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of South Brunswick held on March 24, 2015 and will be considered on second and final reading and final passage at a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of South Brunswick to be held at the Municipal Building, Monmouth Junction, New Jersey, at 7:30 p.m. on April 28, 2015, at which time and place any person having an interest therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Chris Killmurray, Deputy Mayor
SECONDER:	Joseph Camarota, Councilman
AYES:	Camarota, Carley, Hochman, Killmurray, Gambatese

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Ordinance Adopted at the South Brunswick Township Council meeting held on April 28, 2015.


Barbara Nyitrai, Township Clerk