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SPONSORED BY: Kassandra Gove BILL No. 2022-041
Kassandra Gove, Mayor

An Order to change various Fire Safety Inspection and Permit Fees and to adopt a Schedule of Fees.

Summary: The City of Amesbury recently commissioned a Comprehensive Review of Municipal Fees by the Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management. The report dated November 2021 provided the following recommendation: "Raise many/all Fire Department fees, in accordance with MGL Chapter 148 Section 10A, to the maximum allowable in most instances." The current fee schedule was last updated in 2003 per Council order 2003-39.

Be it Ordered by the City Council of the City of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

That various Fire Safety Inspection and Permit Fees be amended as follows:

1. That various fees be changed as proposed on the attached Schedule of Fees and the same is hereby adopted.
2. That this order be effective as of July 1, 2022.

Fire Safety Inspection/Permit Fees

Note: Fee will double for any work started without proper permit.

Permit, Inspection, or Review of:	Fee	Proposed	Duration
Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors			
Single Family	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Certificate (additional charge of \$25 for each failure of inspection or no show of appointment)
Multi-unit Residential	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Unit, per certificate (additional charge of \$25 for each failure of inspection or no show of appointment)
Heat Detector(s):			Inspection done with Smoke/Co
Single Family	\$20.00	Remove	per Inspection
Multi-unit Residential	\$20.00	Remove	per Unit, per Inspection
Fire Alarm Permit with Master Box	\$210.00	Remove	per Permit
Fire Alarm Permit	\$130.00	No change	per Permit
Sprinkler Permit	\$130.00	No change	per Test
Commercial and/or Industrial Smoke, CO or Heat Detectors	\$50.00	Remove	per Inspection
Without Fire Alarm Panel	\$30.00	Remove	per Inspection
Oil burner Installation or Alternation	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Inspection
Oil tank Installation or Removal	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Tank
Propane Permit	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Inspection
Blasting Permits	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Issue
Tar Kettle Operation	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Issue
Fireworks Display	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Issue
Tank Truck Inspection	\$30.00	Remove	Removed from Fire Code
Flammable Storage	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Issue
Copies of Fire Reports	\$5.00	\$10.00	per Copy
Hot Works	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Issue
Underground Storage Tanks Install or Removal	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Tank
Annual renewal of Underground Storage Tanks	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Tank
Fumigation and Thermal Insecticide fogging	\$40.00	Remove	per Issue
Review of Plans, Prints & Specifications: Up to 7,500 Sq. Ft. 7,500 to 12,500 Sq. Ft. Over 12,500 Sq. Ft.	\$210.00	No change	per Project
Salamanders & Propane Heaters	\$20.00	\$50.00	per Issue
Miscellaneous, Unknown, or Other Not Listed Above	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Issue

Permit to Install Vent-less Gas Fireplace	\$20.00	\$50.00	Per FD Inspection for C/O Alarm (same as smoke and CO)
Fire Suppression System For Commercial Cooking Equipment	\$40.00	\$50.00	per Issue

These fees are effective July 1, 2022.

Fire Safety Inspection/Permit Fees

Note: Fee will double for any work started without proper permit.

Permit, Inspection, or Review of:	Present Fee	Proposed Fee	Difference	Duration	Number Issued	Old Fee	New Fee	Difference
Smoke and Carbon Alarms (Smoke/CO)								
Single Family	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Certificate, \$25 for failure or no show	462	\$9,240.00	\$23,100	\$13,860
Multi-Unit Residential	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Certificate, \$25 for failure or no show				
Heat Detector:	N/A	N/A		Inspection done with Smoke/Co				
Fire Alarm Permit	\$130	\$130	0	Per Permit	17	\$1,980	\$1,980	\$0
Sprinkler Permit	\$130	\$130	0	Per Test	12	\$130	\$130	0
Oil Burner Install or Alteration	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Inspection	8	\$300	\$400	\$100
Oil Tank Installation or Removal	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per tank	12	\$400	\$600	\$200
Propane Permit	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Inspection	26	\$540	\$1,300	\$760
UST Install or Removal	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Tank	1	\$40	\$50	\$10
Flammable Storage	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Issue	8	\$280	\$400	\$120
Annual Renewal of UST	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Tank				
Hot Works	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Issue	5	\$100	\$250	\$150
Copies of Fire Reports	\$5	\$10	\$10	Per Report				
Review of Plans, Prints and Specifications	\$210	\$210	0	Per Project				
Salamander and Propane Heaters	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per Issue				
Permit to Install Vent-less Gas Fireplace	\$20	\$50	\$30	Per FD Inspection to C/O Alarm (same as smoke and CO)				
Blasting Permits	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Issue				
Tar kettle Operation	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Issue				
Fireworks Display	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Issue				
Tank Truck Inspection	\$30	N/A		Removed from Fire Code				
Fire Suppression System for Commercial cooking equipment	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Issue				
Miscellaneous, Unknown, or Other not listed above	\$40	\$50	\$10	Per Issue	3	\$120	\$150	\$30
						\$13,130.00	\$28,360	\$15,230



**TOWN OF AMESBURY
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SPONSORED BY: David T. Hildt, Mayor **BILL No. 2003-39**

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council on June 10, 2003, in the Town Hall Auditorium, the following action was taken:

An Order to request the Municipal Council approve the proposed fee schedule for Fire Safety Inspection and Permit Fees.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to approve the proposed fee schedule for Fire Safety Inspection and Permit Fees (see attached), effective July 1, 2003.

Councilor Roger Benson moved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the proposed fee schedule for Fire Safety Inspection and Permit Fees (attached) effective July 1, 2003, as submitted, seconded by Councilor John Maynard

ROLL CALL VOTE - UNANIMOUS

Witness my hand and seal for the Town of Amesbury this 11th day of June, 2003

Bonnie Kitchen
Town Clerk

David T. Hildt
David T. Hildt, Mayor

6/11/03
Date

Fire Safety Inspection/Permit Fees

Note: Fee will double for any work started without proper permit.

Permit, Inspection, or Review of:	Fee	Proposed	Duration
Smoke Detector(s):			
Single Family	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Inspection
Multi-unit Residential	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Unit, per Inspection
Heat Detector(s):			
Single Family	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Inspection
Multi-unit Residential	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Unit, per Inspection
Fire Alarm Permit with Master Box		\$210.00	per Permit
Fire Alarm Permit with no Master Box		\$130.00	per Permit
Sprinkler Permit More than 2 Acceptance Tests		\$130.00 \$50.00	per Test
Commercial and/or Industrial Smoke or Heat Detectors With Fire Alarm Panel	\$50.00	\$50.00	per Inspection
Without Fire Alarm Panel	\$25.00	\$30.00	per Inspection
Oil burner Installation or Alternation	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Inspection
Propane Storage	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Inspection
Blasting Permits	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Issue
Tar Kettle Operation	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Issue
Fireworks Display	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Issue
Tank Truck Inspection	\$15.00	\$30.00	Two Years
Storage of Flammable Fluids	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Issue
Copies of Fire Reports	\$5.00	\$5.00	per Copy
Welding/Cutting Permit	\$10.00	\$20.00	per Issue
Permit to Remove Underground Storage Tanks	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Tank
Permit to Install Tanks for Underground Storage of Flammables	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Tank
Permit to Test Underground Tanks	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Tank
Fumigation and Thermal Insecticide fogging	\$25.00	\$40.00	per Issue
Review of Plans, Prints & Specifications:	\$25.00		
Up to 7,500 Sq. Ft.	\$50.00	\$210.00	per Project
7,500 to 12,500 Sq. Ft.	\$100.00		
Over 12,500 Sq. Ft.			
Salamanders & Portable Heaters	\$15.00	\$20.00	per Issue
Miscellaneous, Unknown, or Other Not Listed Above	\$10.00 to \$25.00	\$20.00 to \$40.00	per Issue

These fees are effective as of July 1, 2003