



FEE SCHEDULE ELECTRICAL PERMIT ISSUANCE AND INSPECTION

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**TABLE
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This fee table applies to all permits issued on or after September 1, 2025.

To calculate electrical permit and inspection fees, itemize the scope of work on the permit application. Identify the corresponding categories and fees from this table. Then, pay your fees online or at the Permit Center. DBI will process your payment before issuing your permit or scheduling inspections.

Separate permits are required for each structure, condominium unit, common area, commercial office floor, individual tenant space or existing dwelling unit (except R3 occupancies).

Fees shall be paid in full before obtaining an occupancy approval, job card, permission to energize or final sign-off.

For the purpose of fee calculation: appliances and utilization equipment each count as one outlet or device in addition to receptacles, switches, and light outlets.

Refunds

DBI's refund policy: [DBI Fee Schedule Refunds - Table 1A-R](#).

Apply for a refund: [Request for Refund and/or Permit Cancellation Form](#).

Category 1 General Wiring: Residential Buildings up to 10,000 sq. ft.	
Up to 10 outlets and/or devices (1 inspection)	\$273
11 to 20 outlets and/or devices (up to 2 inspections)	\$426
Up to 40 outlets and/or devices, includes up to 200 Amp service upgrade (up to 3 inspections)	\$534
More than 40 outlets and/or devices (up to 4 inspections)	\$734
Buildings of 5,000 to 10,000 sq. ft. area (up to 5 inspections)	\$1,066
Category 2 General Wiring: Nonresidential Buildings & Residential Buildings Over 10,000 sq. ft.	
Up to 5 outlets and/or devices (up to 2 inspections)	\$410
6 to 20 outlets and/or devices (up to 3 inspections)	\$630
Areas up to 2,500 sq. ft. (up to 4 inspections)	\$855*

2,501 to 5,000 sq. ft. (up to 6 inspections)	\$1,251*
5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft. (up to 8 inspections)	\$2,119*
10,001 to 30,000 sq. ft. (up to 12 inspections)	\$4,177*
30,001 to 50,000 sq. ft. (up to 18 inspections)	\$8,528*
50,001 to 100,000 sq. ft. (up to 24 inspections)	\$12,669*
100,001 to 500,000 sq. ft. (up to 48 inspections)	\$25,683*
500,001 to 1,000,000 sq. ft. (up to 120 inspections)	\$57,026*
1,000,000 sq. ft. or more (up to 240 inspections)	\$113,993*
*Includes Category 3 & 4 installations in new buildings or major remodel work.	

Category 3 Service Distribution and Utilization Equipment Includes: Generators, UPS, Transformers and Fire Pumps (Use Category 3 for installations separate from the scope of work in Categories 1 or 2) (includes 2 inspections)	
225 amps rating or less	\$397
250 to 500 amps	\$609
600 to 1000 amps	\$822
1,200 to 2,000 amps	\$1,248
More than 2,000 amps	\$1,619
600 volts or more	\$1,672
150 kva rating or less	\$398
151 kva or more	\$609
Fire Pump Installations	\$824

Category 4 Installation of Fire Warning and Controlled Devices (Use Category 4 for installations separate from the scope of work in Categories 1 or 2)	
Up to 2,500 sq. ft. (up to 2 inspections)	\$461
2,501 to 5,000 sq. ft. (up to 3 inspections)	\$680
5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft. (up to 6 inspections)	\$1,251
10,001 to 30,000 sq. ft. (up to 8 inspections)	\$2,067
30,001 to 50,000 sq. ft. (up to 12 inspections)	\$4,212
50,001 to 100,000 sq. ft. (up to 18 inspections)	\$8,319
100,001 to 500,000 sq. ft. (up to 24 inspections)	\$12,211
500,001 to 1,000,000 sq. ft. (up to 60 inspections)	\$27,749
More than 1,000,000 sq. ft. (up to 120 inspections)	\$55,697

Fire Warning and Controlled Devices (Retrofit Systems)	
Buildings of not more than 6 dwelling units (up to 2 inspections)	\$624
Buildings of not more than 12 dwelling units (up to 3 inspections)	\$842
Buildings with more than 12 dwelling units and non-residential occupancy – Building up to 3 floors (up to 4 inspections)	\$1,226
4 – 9 floors (up to 8 inspections)	\$2,497
10 – 20 floors (up to 12 inspections)	\$4,203
21 – 30 floors (up to 18 inspections)	\$8,319
More than 30 floors (up to 24 inspections)	\$12,211

Category 5 Miscellaneous Installations	
Remodel/Upgrade of Existing Hotel Guest/SRO Rooms – Up to 6 rooms (up to 3 inspections)	\$525
Each additional group of 3 rooms	\$264
Data Communications, and Wireless Systems 10 cables or less	Exempt
11 to 500 cables (1 inspection)	\$283
Each additional group of 100 cables	\$68
Security Systems, up to 10 components or less (1 inspection)	\$283
Each additional group of 10 components	\$43
Includes installations and devices that interface with life safety systems; excludes installations in R3 Occupancies	
Office Workstations, up to 5 or less (1 inspection)	\$283
Each additional group of 10 workstations	\$97
Temporary Exhibition Wiring, 1 to 100 booths (1 inspection)	\$411
Each additional group of 10 booths	\$68
Exterior Electrical Sign (1 inspection)	\$283
Interior Electrical Sign (1 inspection)	\$283
Each Additional Sign, at the same address	\$86
Garage Door Operator (Requiring receptacle installation) (1 inspection)	\$284
Quarterly Permits	\$650
Maximum five outlets in any one location (1 inspection)	

Survey, per hour or fraction thereof	\$284
Survey, Research, and Report preparation, per hour or fraction thereof	\$536
Witness Testing: life safety, fire warning, emergency, and energy management systems	
Hourly Rate	\$430
Off-hour inspections: Two hour minimum	\$477
Energy Management, HVAC Controls, and Low-Voltage Wiring Systems	
1 – 10 floors (3 inspections)	\$860
Each additional floor	\$97
Solar Photovoltaic Systems	
10 KW rating or less	\$283
Each additional 10 KW (up to 2 inspections)	\$238

Additional Inspections	
Conducted during regular business hours	\$303.75
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Billed in 45-minute increments at an hourly rate of \$405 	
Conducted outside regular business hours	\$954
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Billed in two-hour increments at an hourly rate of \$477 	

This worksheet is for informational purposes only. Additional fees may apply to your building permit. This information is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities. To request this fee schedule in alternative format, contact (628) 652-3200 or DBICustomerService@sfgov.org