

**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
OFFICIAL NOTICE  
FIRE PREVENTION FEE SCHEDULE  
Effective October 1, 2024  
Pursuant to Section 9-50, City Code of Ordinances**

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY FEE SCHEDULE**

In accordance with Section 9-50 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Fort Lauderdale, fire safety inspection fees shall be adjusted annually beginning **October 1, 2024**, and every October 1 thereafter. The adjustment shall reflect the percentage change in the **Consumer Price Index (CPI) for All Urban Consumers (Miami-Fort Lauderdale area)**, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, from the previous **June-to-June period**.

No further ordinance or resolution, public hearing, or publication shall be required for annual fee adjustments. All updated schedules shall be available on file with the **City Clerk's Office**.

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**I. Plans Examination Fees**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee (plus 0.10% of construction value)	\$123.90
Per sq. ft. (all new work except SFD/duplex/townhouse/garages)	\$0.07375
Single-family structure (includes duplex, townhouse)	\$56.79
Parking garages < 50 ft (per sq. ft.)	\$0.00767
Parking garages ≥ 50 ft (per sq. ft.)	\$0.02065
Early warning systems (existing structures)	\$126.77
Household fire warning equipment (per unit – NFPA 74)	\$11.15
Re-examination Fee (major changes)	50% of original fee

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**II. New Construction Inspections**

**A. Fire Standpipe**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee (per test)	\$249.46
Per residential unit or per 1,000 sq. ft.	\$12.51

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**B. Fire Sprinkler System**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee	\$320.54
Per 1,000 sq. ft. (up to 50,000 sq. ft.)	\$17.45
Per 1,000 sq. ft. (over 50,000 sq. ft.)	\$12.51

**C. Smoke Control System**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Per sq. ft.	\$0.236

**D. Automatic Fire Extinguisher Systems**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee	\$29.72
Per 10 lbs of agent	\$19.81
Halon (per 10 lbs)	\$12.51

**E. Single-Family/Duplex/Townhouse Structures**

| Fee | \$63.88 |

**F. Early Warning Devices**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee	\$126.77
Per device (e.g., detectors, switches)	\$2.55
Exception – NFPA 74 Household Units (per unit)	\$11.15

**G. Permit Reinspection Fee**

| Fee | \$88.50 |

### **III. Periodic Fire Inspection Fees (Existing Structures)**

#### **A. Fire Standpipe System**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee	\$241.46
Per unit or 1,000 sq. ft.	\$12.10

#### **B. Fire Sprinkler System (No Standpipe)**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Minimum Fee	\$310.10
Per 1,000 sq. ft. (up to 50,000 sq. ft.)	\$16.88
Per 1,000 sq. ft. (over 50,000 sq. ft.)	\$12.10

#### **C. Occupancy-Based Fees**

##### **1. Multi-Family/Hotel/Boarding Units**

<b>Units</b>	<b>Fee per Unit</b>
Up to 50 units	\$16.25
51–100 units	\$12.57
Over 100 units	\$6.67

##### **2. Restaurants/Cafes (By Capacity)**

<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Fee</b>
1–15 persons	\$115.48
16–50 persons	\$179.02
51–199 persons	\$248.28
200+ persons	\$277.16

##### **3. Assembly, Business, Health, Lodging**

<b>Area</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Up to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$109.72
2,501–5,000 sq. ft.	\$179.01

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<b>Area</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Each additional 1,000 sq. ft.	\$12.71

**4. Storage and Industrial**

<b>Area</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Up to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$179.01
2,501–5,000 sq. ft.	\$254.03
Each additional 1,000 sq. ft.	\$18.06

**5. Parking Garages**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Per 1,000 sq. ft.</b>
Without fire protection	\$84.73	\$1.08
With fire protection	\$639.43	\$1.27

**6. Other Occupancies not classified**

| Initial Inspection Fee | \$144.33 |

**D. Reinspection Fee (After First Reinspection)**

| Fee | \$73.93 | Fee is assessed on every reinspection

*Reinspection.* Periodic fire inspection fees shall include initial required inspections. If an inspector, upon a requested inspection, finds the work does not conform to or comply with the approved plans or comply with the provisions of the state law, building code, or City Code of Ordinances, he or she shall provide a written notice indicating the corrections required. After corrections have been made, a reinspection fee shall be paid and a reinspection of work requested.

**E. Additional Annual Inspection Fees (If More Than 1 Fire Inspection Per Year)**

| Fee | 50% of original inspection fee (min. \$78.74) |

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## **IV. Miscellaneous Inspections**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Special Event, After Hours, Fire Watch	\$145.00/hr (per inspector, 2-hour minimum)

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## **V. Other Provisions**

- **Exemption:** Single-family and duplex residences are exempt from periodic inspections.
  - **Annexed Properties:** Fees apply after the first full year of annexation.
  - **Reinspection:** Required when work fails to comply with approved plans or code. No further inspections or permits issued until reinspection fees are paid.
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**For the complete Fire Prevention Fee Schedule, including annual CPI-based updates, please contact the City Clerk's Office or visit [www.fortlauderdale.gov](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov).**

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