

**HOWARD COUNTY**  
**Electrical Permit Fee Schedule**  
 Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits  
 George Howard Building, 3430 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City  
 410-313-2455

**Howard County Council Resolution #77-2015 Effective July 1, 2015**

**TECHNOLOGY FEE**

A 10% technology fee will be collected on all permits and electrician license fees (does not apply to application fee or to base fee for amendments)

**PERMIT APPLICATION FEE (Non Refundable) ..... \$50**

**AMENDMENT FEE ..... \$50 per permit plus the fee difference based upon the new permit total.** (technology fee only applies to the permit fee difference not to the base \$50 amendment fee)

**COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT LIST**

All electrical permit applications must include a detailed equipment list including a count of outlets, switches, and specifying all equipment to be installed. Permits which include new service, feeders, and/or equipment 200 AMPS or less, and not associated with a building permit, may not require plans. Also, additional electrical plans are not required when they have been submitted as part of an approved building permit. All others must be accompanied by 2 sets of plans, prepared and sealed by a Maryland professional engineer, or licensed Master Electrician in accordance with the Howard County Building Code.

**Outlets**

Includes receptacles, luminaires, switches, motors 5 HP or less, vav boxes with no electric heat, 120 volt smoke detectors, emergency/exit lights, sign (circuit only), solar panels, 120 volt plug in equipment, or similar equipment

25 or less .....	\$50
26 to 100 .....	\$150
Over 100.....	\$150 plus \$25 for each 100 outlets
	Or portion thereof, over 100

**Equipment/Appliances**

Includes HVAC, transformers, UPS, motors above 5 HP, water heaters, inverters, medical equipment, elevator feeder only, or similar equipment

Includes 1 <sup>st</sup> piece of equipment.....	\$50
2 or more equipment pieces.....	\$5 each additional piece of equipment

**Service-List each service separately**

Up to 200 amps .....	\$50 each
201-400 amps .....	\$150 each
401-800 amps .....	\$200 each
Over 800 amps.....	\$200 plus \$25 for each 100 amps over 800

**Panel Feeders and sub-panels**-does not include transformer secondary panels

Up to 200 amps .....	\$50 each
201-400 amps .....	\$75 each
401-800 .....	\$100 each
Over 800 amps.....	\$100 plus \$20 for each 100 amps above 800

**Elevators/Escalator**-does not include plug in chair lifts

1 <sup>st</sup> elevator/escalator .....	\$200
Each additional elevator/escalator.....	\$50

**Generators**

0-50 KW .....	\$100 each
51-500KW .....	\$300 each
Over 500KW.....	\$500 each

**Swimming Pools**

Each Pool .....	\$250
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**Low Voltage Systems**

Includes telephone, television, alarm systems, intercoms, magnetic doors, fiber optic, satellite, lighting, and similar low voltage systems

Up to 50 devices.....	\$20
Each additional 25 devices.....	\$5

**RESIDENTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST**

All electrical permit applications must be accompanied by a detailed equipment list including a count of outlets, switches, and specifying all equipment to be installed.

**Residential Flat Rate Schedule (New Construction)**

1 or 2 family dwelling (0-200 amp service).....	\$150
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1 or 2 family dwelling (over 200-400 amp service).....	\$200
1 or 2 family dwelling (over 400-600 amp service).....	\$300
1 or 2 family dwelling (over 600 amp service).....	\$500
Multi-family dwelling (includes service & common area wiring) .....	\$100 each unit

**Residential Service Heavy Up (per service/feeder).....** \$50

**Residential Alteration & Additions**

Flat fee ..... \$50

If no more than 10 outlets, **no permit application fee required**

Where there are more than 50 outlets with service change or subpanel installation use the residential flat rate schedule.

**Telephones, Alarm Systems, Central Vacuums, Intercoms & Similar Low Voltage Systems**

No charge for telephone wiring when it is completed and ready for inspection at the same time as contractor's wiring

Flat fee ..... \$20

**BGE Green Express Permit**

Flat fee-no application fee ..... \$35

**Residential Elevator or Generator**

Each elevator/generator ..... \$50

**Residential Swimming Pools/Hot Tubs**

Flat fee Swimming Pool..... \$100

Flat Fee Hot Tub ..... \$50

**Special Permits and Fee**

**Illuminated Signs**

First sign ..... \$20

Each additional sign ..... \$5

**Demolition**

Permit required for demolition ..... \$50

**Pole or Temporary Construction Services**

Flat fee ..... \$25

**Mobile Homes & Construction Trailers**

Flat Fee ..... \$50

**Carnival & Fairs**

Per inspection installation on grounds..... \$50

**Annual Master Electrical Permit**

Permit fee ..... \$50

Inspections (billed quarterly)..... \$75 1<sup>st</sup> hour/\$50 each additional hour

**Reinspection Fee**

2 failures of the same inspection..... \$50

3 failures of the same inspection..... \$75

4 or more failures of the same inspection ..... \$125

**Inspection Outside Business Hours**

1<sup>st</sup> hour ..... \$75

Each additional hour or fraction of an hour ..... \$50

**Extension of a Permit Application or a Permit**

Requests to extend an electrical permit application or permit shall contain written justification for the extension.

Fee to extend a permit application or permit.... \$25 per each 90 day extension (Sum of all extensions shall not exceed 1 year)

**Permit Fee For Work Commenced Without a Permit..... \$100**

**No Permit Fees Required**

A permit is required but there shall be no permit fees for work on buildings and structures owned by the following groups or organizations; Howard County Government; the Howard County Board of Education; the Howard County Community College; the Howard County Fair Association and an incorporated volunteer fire department.

**Electrician Licenses**

Type of Licenses (Active or Inactive)-License valid for 2 years

Master Electrician General ..... \$100

Master Electrician Restricted..... \$100

Master Electrician Limited ..... \$100

Late Fee/License Restoration Fee .....\$50 plus the license fee

Local Jurisdiction Reciprocity Administration Fee ..... \$50

Examination Fee ..... \$25

Reassignment of Licensee company Affiliation..... \$25

Note: A Master Electrician General, Master Electrician Restricted and Master Electrician Limited license is valid for 2 years. An individual who applies for a license between December 1 and November 30 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the licensing term shall pay ½ of the established fee.

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