

**RESOLUTION 2013-07  
BOROUGH OF AMBLER**

A **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES** for the filing of application, permits, licenses and violation fines for the Borough of Ambler pursuant to the enabling provisions of existing Borough Ordinances and Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, and it is hereby resolved by the Council of the Borough of Ambler that all fees are hereby fixed as follows:

**ABANDONED CAR (Private) :** \$75 on notice and \$75 for each additional 24 hours Continuing Event (CE) - same vehicle

**AMUSEMENT DEVICES & VENDING MACHINES:** \$25 per year for each pinball/amusement device, music device (jukebox), portable recreational device or vending machine.

**ADMISSION - LIVE THEATRE, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT:** Where admission fee is charged, ten (10) percent of *admission fee*.

**ANIMALS:**

Exotic Animals - \$250 per animal per year.  
Recreational Use - \$10 per animal per day.

**BUILDING PERMITS & RELATED FEES:**

**(Construction, Renovation, Additions):**

<b>Commercial, Triplex or Greater –</b>	\$500 plus \$0.25 per sq ft
<b>One &amp; Two Family Structures -</b>	\$250 plus \$0.15 per sq ft
<b>Demolition Permit (entire structure) -</b>	\$125 plus \$0.10 per sq ft
<b>Shed, Cabana, Playhouse, Etc. -</b>	\$25 plus \$0.15 per sq ft up to 99 sq ft \$50 plus \$0.15 per sq ft up to 199 sq ft
<b>Detached Private Garage</b>	
<b>Or Shed Over 200 sq ft -</b>	\$100 plus \$0.15 per sq ft
<b>Swimming Pools (Above Ground) -</b>	\$50 plus \$0.15 per sq ft
<b>Swimming Pools (In Ground) -</b>	\$100 plus \$0.25 per sq ft

**(Construction, Roofing, Siding, Renovations, Parking Lots, Driveways, Window Replacement):**

**Commercial, Triplex or Greater –**  
\$50 for first \$1,000; \$25 each additional \$3,000 construction cost (labor and materials)  
**One & Two Family Structures –**  
\$50 for first \$5,000; \$25 each additional \$5,000 construction cost (labor and materials)

**CLEANING: SELF SERVICE LAUNDRY (Coin Op) -** \$5 per machine per year

**CURB & SIDEWALK PERMIT (Covers inspection cost):** \$25 up to 50 linear feet.

**DEBRIS DEPOSITED IN PUBLIC STREET (leaves, snow, grass cuttings or other material):**

**Ticket -** \$50 per violation plus clean up cost.

**DUMPING & ABANDONMENT OF SHOPPING CARTS, TIRES, AUTO PARTS, JUNK STORAGE:**

**Ticket** - \$25 per inspection (or cart found on public right of way) plus \$50 per day for storage.

**DUMPSTERS & PODS :** \$75 per container for five days in the street with lit barricades.  
\$75 per container for 30 days if on site.

**FENCES:** \$50 for permit

**FIRE PROTECTION FEES:**

**1. Fire Alarms**

Installation in new and existing properties: \$100.00 for first 2,500 sq. ft.  
\$25.00 per 1,000 square ft. over 2,500 sq. ft.

False Fire Alarm Activation:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Alarm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Alarm - Warning
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Alarm - \$50.00
- 4<sup>th</sup> Alarm - \$150.00
- 5<sup>th</sup> Alarm and any Alarm Thereafter \$300.00

**2. Sprinkler Systems**

Installation in new and existing properties: \$100.00 for first 2,500 sq. ft.  
\$10.00 per 1,000 sq. ft. over 2,500 sq. ft.  
Plus cost of third party plan review

**3. Extinguishing Systems for Commercial Kitchens:** \$125.00

**4. Annual Fire & Life Safety Inspections:**

- Up to 999 sq. ft. \$ 35.00
- 1,000 to 5,000 sq. ft. \$ 50.00
- 5,000 to 10,000 sq. ft. \$ 75.00
- > than 10,000 sq. ft. \$100.00

**5. Fire Investigation Report:** \$75.00

**6. Digital Images / Photographs:** \$5.00 per photograph/digital image ( All photographs/digital images remain the property of Ambler Borough and cannot be sold or reproduced without written permission from the Borough.)

**7. Operational Permits:**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Cost</b>
105.6.2	Amusement Buildings	\$50.00
105.6.4	Carnivals & Fairs	\$50.00
105.6.6	Combustible Dust Producing Operation	\$50.00
105.6.7	Combustible Fibers	\$50.00
105.6.8	Compressed Gasses	\$50.00
105.6.10	Cryogenic Fluids	\$50.00
105.6.11	Cutting & Welding	\$50.00
105.6.14	Explosives	\$50.00
105.6.15	Fire Hydrants & Valves	\$50.00
105.6.16	Flammable & Combustible Liquids	\$50.00
105.6.17	Floor Finishing	\$50.00
105.6.19	Fumigation & Thermal Insecticide Fogging	\$50.00
105.6.23	Hot Work Operations	\$50.00
105.6.27	LP Gas	\$50.00
105.6.28	Magnesium	\$50.00
105.6.29	Miscellaneous Combustible Storage	\$50.00
105.6.30	Open Burning	\$50.00
105.6.31	Open Flames & Torches	\$35.00
105.6.32	Open Flames & Candles	\$50.00
105.6.36	Pyrotechnic Special Effects Material	\$50.00
105.6.41	Spraying or Dipping	\$50.00
105.6.42	Storage of Scrap Tires and Tire Byproducts	\$50.00
105.6.43	Temporary Membrane Structures & Tents	\$50.00
105.6.44	Tire Rebuilding Plants	\$50.00
105.6.45	Waste Handling	\$50.00
105.6.46	Wood Products	\$50.00

**8. Construction Permits:**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Cost</b>
105.7.2	Battery Systems	\$100.00
105.7.3	Compressed Gasses	\$100.00
105.7.4	Cryogenic Fluids	\$100.00
105.7.6	Fire Pumps and Related Equipment	\$100.00
105.7.7	Flammable & Combustible Liquids	\$ 50.00
105.7.8	Hazardous Materials	\$100.00
105.7.9	Industrial Ovens	\$100.00
105.7.10	LP-Gas	\$100.00
105.7.11	Private Fire Hydrants	\$100.00
105.7.12	Spraying or Dipping	\$100.00
105.7.13	Standpipe System	\$100.00
105.7.14	Temporary Membrane Structures and Tents	\$ 50.00

**Borough Fire Code Violation Assessment Fee (All Fees Per Offense)**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Fire Sprinkler &amp; Standpipes</b>	<b>Fee</b>
901.6	Improperly maintained/inspected	\$ 25.00
903.3.6	Improper Fire Department connection	\$ 50.00
912.3	Fire Department connection inaccessible	\$100.00

912.3.1	Fire Department connection capped/marked	\$100.00
903.3.3	Fire sprinklers not provided, obstructed locations	\$100.00
901.6	Fire sprinklers painted/corroded/loaded	\$ 25.00
315.2.1	Clearance of 18" below sprinkler not maintained	\$ 25.00
901.6	Spare sprinklers/wrench not provided	\$ 25.00
509	Fire Sprinkler room not identified	\$ 25.00
901.8	Tampering with equipment	\$250.00
	<b>Kitchen Suppression Systems</b>	
904.11.6	6-month maintenance/inspection not provided	\$ 25.00
609.3.3	Hoods, fans & ducts not clean	\$ 50.00
609.3.1	Exhaust systems not functioning	\$ 50.00
904.11.6.3	Fusible links/sprinkler heads not clean	\$100.00
904.11.5	Class K fire ext. not provided within 30'	\$ 25.00
	<b>Electrical Systems</b>	
605.5	Improper use of extension cords	\$ 25.00
605.1	Improper wiring, fuses, grounding	\$ 25.00
605.6	Exposed wiring	\$ 50.00
315.2.3	Storage in electrical rooms	\$ 50.00
605.3	30"/36" clear working space not provided	\$ 25.00
605.3.1	Electrical room not marked/identified	\$ 25.00
	<b>General Hazards</b>	
315.2.1	Clearance of 24" not maintained below ceiling	\$ 25.00
703.1	Unsealed penetrations of ceilings & walls	\$ 50.00
315.2.3	Combustibles stored in mechanical rooms	\$ 50.00
315.2.4	Combustible storage under stairs & floors	\$100.00
309.2	Combustible storage within 3' of battery chargers	\$ 50.00
304.3.1	Containers not provided for oily rags	\$ 25.00
3809.1	Storage of LP-gas containers	\$ 50.00
304.2	Combustibles within 15' of building	\$ 25.00
312.1	Gas service unprotected from impact	\$100.00
	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
	Failure to comply with any other section of the fire code not specifically listed in the violation assessment fees list	\$ 25.00
109.2.4	Unauthorized tampering of signs/notices posted by AHJ	\$200.00
111.4	Failure to comply with "Stop Work Order"	\$200.00

**LICENSES (Contractor, Painter, Landscaper, Electrical, Plumber, HVAC):**

**Contractor/Painter/Landscaper –**

Non-Technical License - \$75 per year plus Certificate of Insurance.

**Electrical Contractor (Certified Registration Required) –**

Master Electrician (L), Chief Plant Electrician, Oil Burner Service Technician, Refrigeration Service Technician, Alarm System Technician - \$100 per year plus Certificate of Insurance. Journeyman or Apprentice in all above trades - \$75 per year. (License renewal registration one-half original rate if renewed in consecutive year.)

**Plumbing (Certified Registration Required) –**

Master Plumber - \$100 per year plus Certificate of Insurance. Journeyman - \$50 per year. Limited certificate of registration - \$30. (License renewal registration one-half original rate if renewed in consecutive year.)

**Plumbing Fees –**

Each fixture installed or removed - \$20

Installation of Sewer or Water Lateral (re-inspection new charge) - \$75

Repairs to Sewer or Water Lateral or Internal Stack (re-inspection new charge) - \$75

Disposal systems - \$75

**Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) Residential & Commercial  
(Certified Registration Required) –**

Master HVAC - \$100 per year plus Certificate of Insurance.

**HVAC Fees** - \$50 for first \$1,000; \$25 each additional \$3,000

**PARK USE FEES:**

\$60 per use for residents of Ambler Borough, Lower Gwynedd Township, Whitpain Township, Upper Dublin Township and for non-profit groups. For any event lasting two or more consecutive days the fee is capped at \$120.00. A refundable deposit of \$250 for security and damage is to be paid at time of application for park use.

\$150 per day for non-residents (or other than listed above) and for-profit groups. A refundable deposit of \$250 for security and damage is to be paid at time of application for park use.

\$250 for any skate park event, regardless of residency or type of entity/organization/group. (A Security/Damage Deposit of (at least) \$250 is to be paid by Applicant prior to issuance of Skate Park Use Permit).

No charge will be assessed for local groups of less than 12 people or for organized local sports leagues (e.g., Ambler Junior Baseball)

The Parks & Recreation Committee may at its discretion waive fees for any event if a request is presented.

**PARKING:**

**Residential Parking** - \$25 per year on metered street (est. by Council, one permit per address)

**Violation of Parking Rules –**

Parking meter violation - \$12

Parking within times prohibited for purposes of street cleaning - \$12

Exceeding 2 hour parking time - \$15

Double parking - \$15

Parking within an intersection - \$15

Parking where signs prohibit parking - \$15

Parking in a handicap zone - \$50

Parking on a sidewalk - \$15

Parking on an area walk - \$15

In front of a public/private driveway - \$15

Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant - \$50

Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection - \$20

Within 30 feet upon the approach of any of the following:

flashing signal, stop or yield sign or traffic control signal located at the site of a roadway - \$15

Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station - \$20

Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing - \$15

Parking more than 12 inches from the curb - \$15

**POLICE REPORTS & DOCUMENTS:**

Accident Report - \$15  
Color Photos - \$10

**RENTAL (REAL ESTATE) INSPECTION FEES:**

**Residential** – \$30 per unit for two inspections (if follow-up inspection is needed).  
\$30 per unit for any additional inspections.

**Non-Residential –**

First 1,000 sq ft	\$40 per inspection
1,001 – 3,000 sq ft	\$60 per inspection
3,001 – 5,001 sq ft	\$85 per inspection
5,001 – 10,000 sq ft	\$120 per inspection
10,001 – 20,000 sq ft	\$160 per inspection
Over 20,000 sq ft	\$260 plus \$60 each additional 10,000 sq ft over 20,000 sq ft

**RESIDENTIAL RENTAL REGISTRATION:** \$50 per unit per year

**SALES:**

**Door-to-Door/Street Sales** - \$10 per person per day  
**Fixed Locations (stands)** - \$100 per year  
**Transient Merchants** - \$100 per year  
**Weekly Seven-Day (door-to-door) Permits** - \$50  
**Day Permits (parades, etc.)** - \$10 per person per day

**SEWER TAPPING FEES:**

\$2,508.00 per EDU of capacity required for connection.

**SIGNS & BANNERS:**

**Erection/Altercation** - \$50 per sign or banner  
**Sidewalk Display Sign (Ticket)** - \$25 per violation per day  
**Banners (30 day limit) (Ticket for failure to remove)** - \$75 per violation per day  
**Real Estate Signs (Directional Signage Other Than On Property):**  
\$50 for 72 hours per sign. Signs are required to be removed.  
**Temporary ‘No Parking’ Signs:** \$25 per sign (with \$20 refundable upon return of signs).

**SNOW ORDINANCE (Ticket):** \$50 every 24 hours.

**STORAGE TANKS:**

\$100 each 1,000 gallon tank capacity (FM). All cleanup cost from spills to be done by owner.

**STREET EXCAVATION:**

\$100 per 100 foot parallel to curb. Emergency street excavation (5 years from paving date) -  
\$500 per opening of a 100 foot parallel to curb.

**SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT:**

**Preliminary Plan Filing Fee** - \$150 plus \$20 per unit (lot) for each additional 1,000 square feet.  
**Engineering Services** – at cost  
**Materials & Facilities Tests** – at cost  
**Dedication Legal Fees** – at cost  
**Overall Legal Fees** – at cost

**USE & OCCUPANCY (Upon sale, change of occupancy or business owner or renovation):**

**Residential** - \$75 per dwelling with \$50 each additional unit.

**Non-Residential** - \$75 per first 2,500 sq ft with \$50 each additional 1,000 sq ft (this includes one revisit. A third visit will be treated as a new application).

**WEED ORDINANCE (Ticket):** \$50 every 24 hours.

**YARD/GARAGE SALES:**

\$25 (\$20 refunded if signs removed within 72 hours of event)

**ZONING (Upon sale, change of occupancy or business owner or renovation):**

**Residential** - \$75 per dwelling with \$50 each additional unit.

**Non-Residential** - \$75 per first 2,500 sq ft with \$50 each additional 1,000 sq ft (this includes one revisit. A third visit will be treated as a new application).

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:**

**Hearing** – Residential \$500; Non-Residential \$1,000.

**Engineering, Legal, Technical Support Fees** – at cost.

**BOCA Hearing (various codes)** – Residential \$500; Non-Residential \$1,000 plus costs

**Conditional Use Hearing (Council)** – Residential \$500; Non-Residential \$1,000 plus costs

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ADOPTED this 16th day of APRIL 2013.**

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Antonio Isabella, Council President

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Charles Wahl, Mayor

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ATTEST: Mary Aversa, Borough Manager