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Informational Notice

Beginning Jan. 1, 2008, the surcharge on all permit fees and hourly inspection rates is 12 percent**

In 2007, the Oregon Legislature passed HB 2405 which directed the Department of Consumer and Business Services to establish a one-stop, integrated, full-service, statewide electronic permitting (eBuildingPermit) system to be made available to contractors and businesses in jurisdictions across Oregon. The system will streamline the current permitting and plan review processes used by the 130 local jurisdictions that issue thousands of permits annually.

The increase in the surcharge from eight (8) to twelve (12) percent will defray the costs of developing and administering the Statewide ePermitting System. The system will allow customers to apply, pay, and receive permits on-line; submit plans electronically for review and tracking; schedule, track, and receive inspection reports electronically.

This surcharge is on all construction permits and hourly inspection charges (including amusement ride, boiler, elevator, manufactured dwelling, prefabricated structure, and recreational vehicle permits and hourly inspection rates). The method used to calculate the surcharge is to multiply the permit and/or hourly inspection charges by .12. This amount is then added to the fees.

** Local government building programs will collect and remit the surcharge increase the same way they submit the current state surcharge.