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CLEARING AND GRADING PERMITS
APPLICATION FEE WORKSHEET

(Attachment to Bulletin 28)

For alternate formats, call 206-296-6600.

Grading and Clearing Permit review and inspection fees are calculated using both base fees and hourly fees. The total cost of a permit will vary depending upon the complexity of the project and the number of ancillary reviews that are required to complete the application review (e.g., drainage, SEPA, or critical area review).

Base review and inspection fees are estimated using target hours. Target hours are intended to provide staff and the applicant a very general estimate of the time to complete certain standard reviews. Target hours for inspection functions represent minimum inspection levels. If target hours are exceeded, additional reviews and inspections will be billed at the department's current hourly rate**. Certain reviews, such as drainage and SEPA review, are billed at the current hourly rate for each hour of review time.

DDES collects a deposit at the time of application submittal up to 50% of the anticipated hourly charges for the project. Direct hourly charges in excess of deposit amounts, or charges in excess of base fees, plus 100% of fixed fees will be billed to you monthly. Finance charges will accrue if invoices are not paid in a timely manner.

In addition to the standard review and inspection fees applicable to all permit applications, certain other fees and base fee adjustments may be applicable to clearing and grading projects. These include, but are not limited to:

- **Counter Service Fees** – Intake fees will be assessed for all permit applications except miscellaneous clearing permits, which are assessed hourly charges. Issuance fees will be assessed for all clearing and grading applications, except short form permits.
- **Investigation fees** – Investigation fees are assessed any time work proceeds prior to issuance of a permit. Investigation fees are equal to the amount of the base review fee.

Fees paid for pre-application review to resolve an active code enforcement case may be applied toward the required investigation fee.

Other review fees may be assessed during the course of project review if the project or scope of the project is particularly complex. DDES makes every effort to notify customers when these additional reviews are required. In some cases, projects can be modified to avoid additional reviews.

I have read the foregoing and understand that the estimated fees contained on this worksheet are only an estimate and the actual cost of this permit will depend upon the review services required and the complexity of the proposed project. I accept financial responsibility for all fees associated with this permit or approval.

** DDES fees are based on the latest fee ordinance adopted by the King County Council and are subject to change. As of June 1, 2007, the DDES standard hourly rate is \$140/hour.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

**Clearing and Grading Permits
Application Fee Worksheet**
(Attachment to Bulletin 28)

Applicant: _____
 Address: _____

 Phone: _____
 E-mail: _____

Permit Application No.: _____
 Worksheet Prepared By: _____

**GRADING/CLEARING REVIEW AND
INSPECTION FEES**

Base Review Fees

Residential Project **without** SEPA
 0.00 – 0.2 ac. \$414, no hrly _____
 0.21 – 1.0 ac. \$580, inc. 6 hr _____
 over 1.0 ac \$1,014, inc. 9 hr _____
With SEPA \$1,014, inc. 9 hr _____

Non-Residential Project
 0.00 – 0.2 ac. \$725, 7 hr _____
 0.21 – 1.0 ac. \$2,173, 17 hr _____
 1.01 – 5.0 ac. \$4,347, 32 hr _____
 5.01 – 10 ac. \$5,796, 42 hr _____
 10.01 – 20 ac. \$8,694, 62 hr _____
 over 20 ac. \$11,592, 82 hr _____

Investigation Fee _____
 Less pre-app credit _____
 Amount due - If less than zero, enter zero _____
Total Base Review Fees _____

(Permit review that exceeds the base amounts will be invoiced, except as otherwise noted, for actual time spent)

Inspection Fees

Grading Inspection
 Residential - Hrly _____ hrs @ \$140 _____
 Non-residential
 0.00 – 0.3 ac. \$280, inc. 2 hr _____
 0.31 – 5.0 ac. \$560, inc. 4 hr _____
 5.01 – 20 ac. \$1,120, inc. 8 hr _____
 over 20 ac. \$1,680, inc. 12 hr _____

Clearing Inspection
 Residential - Hrly _____ hrs @ \$140 _____
 Non-residential
 0.00 – 0.2 ac. \$280, inc. 2 hr _____
 over 0.2 ac. \$560, inc. 4 hr _____

Minimum Inspection Fees _____

(Inspection costs will be invoiced based upon time actually spent less credit for the pre-paid amounts shown)

**OTHER REVIEWS AND
MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES**

Critical Areas Review Base Fees

Basic Review \$290, no hourly _____

Residential
 a) Dept as consultant, fixed fee
 no hourly _____
 b) Preferred Consultant
 1) Basic \$725, no hourly _____
 2) Complex \$1,304, no hourly _____
 Non-Residential \$725, hrly after 5 hrs _____

Other Reviews (charged hourly, minimum deposits noted)

Drainage _____ hrs (4 hr min.)
 SEPA _____ hrs (6 hr min.)
 Zoning _____ hrs (2 hr min.)
 Critical Areas _____ hrs
 _____ hrs
 _____ hrs
 _____ hrs
 Total _____ hrs X 50% @ \$140/hr _____

Note: 50% of total estimated hourly fees due at time of application.

Miscellaneous Clearing/Grading Fees

Intake Fee \$205 _____
 Issuance Fee \$205 _____
 Financial Guarantee Processing Fee \$205 each _____
 Hazard Tree Removal or other miscellaneous clearing or grading
 _____ hours @ \$140/hr _____
 FPA Moratorium Relief Base Fee
 Basic \$435, inc. 4 hrs _____
 Complex \$1,739, inc. 14 hrs _____

Total Fees due at Application _____

Approved by (Site Dev. Specialist) : _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

Permit Type: ___ Grading ___ Clearing ___ Grading SF ___ Clearing SF ___ Other: _____

Project Description: _____

Check out the DDES Web site at www.kingcounty.gov/permits