

San Mateo Consolidated Fire Department
Fire Prevention and Life Safety
Mandated/Routine Inspections & Fire Code Permits
 Effective February 14, 2026

Fee No.	Fee Description	Notes	Fee Unit Type	Adopted Fee
A. STATE MANDATED & ROUTINE FIRE INSPECTIONS		[1]		
1	Group A - Assembly related occupancies (50+ persons)		minimum fee	\$ 392
2	Group B - Businesses/Commercial			
	Very Small (0-1,500/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 196
	Small (1,501-5000/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 392
	Medium (5,001-15,000/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 784
	Large (15,001+/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 1,176
3	Group E - Education occupancies (public/private)		minimum fee	\$ 882
4	Group F - Factories/Fabrication		minimum fee	\$ 490
5	Group H - Hazardous (labs, semi-conductors)		minimum fee	\$ 882
6	Group I - Institutions (Hospitals)		minimum fee	\$ 1,273
7	Group M - Mercantile			
	Very Small (0-1,500/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 196
	Small (1,501-5000/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 392
	Medium (5,001-15,000/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 784
	Large (15,001+/sq/ft)		minimum fee	\$ 1,176
8	Group R - Residential (Other than MRIP)		minimum fee	\$ 588
9	Group S - Storage/Warehouse		minimum fee	\$ 490
10	Group U - Misc. Occupancy		minimum fee	\$ 294
11	Hotels, Motels, Apartments and Condominiums			
	3-4 Units per Building		minimum fee	\$ 882
	5-10 Units per Building		minimum fee	\$ 1,176
	11-100 Units per Building		minimum fee	\$ 1,469
	101-200 Units per Building		minimum fee	\$ 2,645
	201-300 Units per building		minimum fee	\$ 3,820
	300+ Units per Building		minimum fee	\$ 4,996
12	High-Rise			
	Base Fee (Plus per floor fee below)		minimum fee	\$ 717
	Per Floor		each	\$ 196
13	State 850 Inspections			
	State Licensing Inspection 1-6 Capacity			
	Pre-Inspection	[3]	per occurrence / trip	\$ 490
	Residential Care Facility Elderly (RCFE) State Licensed Facility Inspection	[2]	per occurrence / trip	no charge
	State Licensing Inspection 7-25 Capacity		per occurrence / trip	\$ 588
	State Licensing Inspection 26-50 Capacity		per occurrence / trip	\$ 686
	State Licensing Inspection 50+ Capacity		per occurrence / trip	\$ 882



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B. OPERATIONAL PERMITS AND FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS (STATE-MANDATED & ROUTINE)				
1	Annual Operational Permit w/ CFC Permits			
	First Permit		each	\$ 392
	Additional Permits		each	\$ 161
2	List of Required Operational Permits <i>(See CFC Section 105 for Conditions)</i>			
	Aerosol Products (>500 lbs.)			
	Amusement Buildings			
	Aviation Facilities			
	Carnivals and Fairs			
	Cellulose Nitrate Film			
	Combustible Dust Producing Operations			
	Combustible Fibers			
	Compressed Gases			
	Covered and Open Mall Buildings			
	Cryogenic Fluids			
	Cutting and Welding			
	Dry Cleaning			
New	Energy Storage Systems (ESS)			
	Explosives			
	Fire Hydrants and Valves			
	Flammable and Combustible Liquids			
	Mobile Fueling of Hydrogen-Fueled Vehicles			
	Floor Finishing			
	Fruit and Crop Ripening			
	Fumigation and Insecticidal Fogging			
New	Hazardous Materials			
	Hazardous Production Materials (HPM) Facilities			
New	High Pile Storage			
	Hot Work Operations			
New	Indoor Plant Cultivation			
	Industrial Ovens			
New	Lithium Ion Battery (>15 cubic feet)			
	Liquid or Gas-Fueled Vehicles or Equipment in Assembly Buildings			
	LP Gas			
	Lumber Yards & Woodworking Plants			
	Magnesium			
	Miscellaneous Combustible Storage			
	Mobile Food Preparation Vehicles			
	Motor Fuel-Dispensing Facilities			
	Open Burning			
	Open Flames and Torches			
	Open Flames and Candles			
	Organic Coatings			
	Outdoor Assembly Event			
	Places of Assembly			
	Plant Extraction Systems			
	Private Hydrants			
	Pyroxylin Plastics			
	Refrigeration Equipment			
	Repair Garages and Motor Fuel-Dispensing Facilities			
	Rooftop Heliports			
	Spraying or Dipping			

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	Storage of Scrap Tires and Tire Byproducts			
	Tire-Rebuilding Plants			
	Waste Handling			
	Wood Products (>200 cubic feet)			
New	Additional Permits (Production Facilities, Indoor Pyrotechnics and Special Effects, Live Audiences)			



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C. TEMPORARY OPERATIONAL PERMITS				
1	Exhibits, Trade Shows, and Special Events			
	During Business Hours			
	First 2 hours		flat	\$ 784
	Each additional hour		hourly	\$ 392
	After Business Hours			
	First 2 hours		flat	\$ 918
	Each additional hour		hourly	\$ 459
2	Pyrotechnic Special Effects Material			
	During Business Hours			
	First 4 hours		flat	\$ 1,567
	Each additional hour		hourly	\$ 392
	After Business Hours			
	First 4 hours		flat	\$ 1,836
	Each additional hour		hourly	\$ 459
3	Temporary Heating or Cooking in Tents or Membrane Structures		per tent	\$ 588
4	Temporary Heating or Cooking in Wildfire Risk Areas		each	\$ 588
5	Temporary Heating for Construction Sites		per site	\$ 588
6	Temporary Membrane Structures and Tents		initial	\$ 521
	Each additional		each additional	\$ 98
D. MISCELLANEOUS FEES				
1	Administrative Violations			
	1st violation		each	\$ 130
	2nd violation		each	\$ 700
	3rd and subsequent violations		each	\$ 1,300
2	Collection Referral Charge		each	\$ 25
3	Complaint Investigation and Follow-Up		each occurrence / trip / verified complaint	\$ 588
4	Life Safety Training (CPR / First Aid/AED/Fire Extinguisher/Evacuation Drills, etc.)		hourly/ per instructor	\$ 392
5	Emergency Preparedness Planning and Education		hourly	\$ 392
6	Emergency Response (DUI, Patient Assist w/Doctor on Scene, HazMat Response, etc.)	[4]		
	Command Vehicle		hourly	\$ 53
	Engine Apparatus		hourly	\$ 173
	Truck Apparatus		hourly	\$ 205
	HazMat Vehicle		hourly	\$ 173
	Water Craft		hourly	\$ 86
	Personnel (each responder)		hourly	\$ 392
7	Fire Research and Reports		per half hour	\$ 196

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8	Fire Watch		hourly	\$ 392
9	Hazardous Material- Paperwork Review (SDS, other regulatory paperwork)			
	Dispense, Use, Storage and Handling			
	Up to 5 chemicals		flat	\$ 490
	Each additional chemical		each	\$ 63



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10	Hazardous Material Mitigation Fee		hourly	\$ 392
11	Incident Reports	[5]	per page	\$ 0.12
12	Penalty Fees			
	False Alarm		per violation/ per day	\$ 685
	Failure to Obtain Permit		per violation/ per day	Double Fees plus administrative violation per day
	Reactivation of Expired Permit		per violation/ per day	\$ 296
13	Returned Check Processing Charge	[6]		
	First returned check		flat	\$ 25
	Each subsequent returned check		per occurrence	\$ 35
14	Staff Time Consultation (General) 2 hour minimum		hourly / per person	\$ 392
15	USB		each	\$ 98
16	Additional Plan Review/Inspection			
	During Business Hours		hourly	\$ 392
	After Business Hours		hourly (2 hr min)	\$ 459
17	Fire Code Variance Application / Alternate Means and Methods (AMMR)		hourly	\$ 392
18	Key Box Administration			
	Admin Processing Fee (One time - Lifetime of box)		per box	\$ 619
19	Construction Site Safety Plans Review		hourly	\$ 392
20	Staff Time Consultation (New Construction)		hourly (2 hr min)	\$ 392
21	Planning Application Review			
	During Business Hours		hourly	\$ 392
	After Business Hours		hourly	\$ 459
22	Inspection, Testing and Maintenance Filing Fee		per report	\$ 30
23	Hourly Fee (Everything not covered elsewhere)		hourly	\$ 392

[Notes]

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- [2] Inspections not allowed to be charged per Health and Safety Code Section 1569.84
- [3] Inspections allowed to be charged per Health and Safety Code Section 13235
- [4] Per Government Code Sections 53150-58. DUI billed upon conviction.
- [5] Subject to Public Records Request Act - Gov Code 7922.530
- [6] Per Civil Code Section 1719

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Development Plan Review & Inspections
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Fee No.	Fee Description	Fee Unit	Notes	Adopted Fee
E. DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW AND INSPECTION				
1	Building Construction			
	Single Family Residential / Duplex (Reviews)			
	Plan Review (up to 3) (required)	minimum fee	\$	325
	Revision Plan Review (as requested)	hourly	\$	392
	Single Family Residential / Duplex (Inspections)			
	Pre-construction Site Visit / Meeting (as requested)	hourly	\$	392
	Progress/Additional/Re-Inspection (as requested or required/phasing)	hourly	\$	392
	Commercial / Industrial / Multi-Family (Reviews)			
	Plan Review (up to 3) (required)			
	0-5,000 s.f.	minimum fee	\$	392
	5,001-10,000 s.f.	minimum fee	\$	490
	10,001-50,000 s.f.	minimum fee	\$	549
	each additional 10,000 s.f. or fraction thereof	each add'l	\$	392
	Revision Plan Review	hourly	\$	392
	Commercial / Industrial / Multi-Family (Inspections)		[1]	
	Inspection (required)			
	0-5,000 s.f.	minimum fee	\$	490
	5,001-10,000 s.f.	minimum fee	\$	588
	10,001-50,000 s.f.	minimum fee	\$	724
	each additional 10,000 s.f. or fraction thereof	each add'l	\$	490
	Pre-construction Site Visit / Meeting (as requested)	hourly	\$	392
	Progress/Additional/Re-Inspection (as requested or required/phasing)	hourly	\$	392
2	Sprinkler Systems/Underground/Hydrants/Standpipes/Pumps			
2.1	Sprinkler System Plan Review (up to 3)			
	NFPA 13/13D/13R Systems			
	1-10 heads	each	\$	196
	11-100 heads (includes 1 riser)	each	\$	294
	100+ heads (includes 1 riser)	each	\$	392
	Each additional riser	each	\$	78
	Hydraulic Calculations (review)	hourly	\$	392
	Revision Plan Review	hourly	\$	392
	Sprinkler System Inspection (includes initial and final)			
	NFPA 13/13D/13R Systems			
	1-10 heads	each	\$	392
	11-100 heads (includes 1 riser)	each	\$	685
	100+ heads (includes 1 riser)	each	\$	783
	Each additional riser	each	\$	118
	Hydrostatic Test	each	\$	784
	Weld Inspection	hourly	\$	392
	Progress/Additional/Re-Inspection (as requested or required/phasing)	hourly	\$	392
2.2	Underground Fire Line Plan Review (up to 3)			
	Underground Fire Line Plan Review (up to 3)	each	\$	392
	Revision Plan Review	hourly	\$	392

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	Underground Fire Line Inspection			
	Inspections (up to 3)	per system		\$ 1,763
	Additional Inspection	each		\$ 392
	Underground Hydrostatic Test	each		\$ 784
	Flush	each		\$ 392
2.3	Hydrant Flow (Test and Inspection)	per hydrant		\$ 490
2.4	Standpipe Systems Plan Review (up to 3)	per system		\$ 392
	Standpipe Systems Inspection			
	Visual Inspections (up to 5)	per system		\$ 2,351
	Additional Inspection	each		\$ 392
	Hydrostatic Test	each		\$ 784
2.5	Fire Pump Plan Review			
	First pump	each		\$ 392
	Each additional pump	each		\$ 196
	Fire Pump Inspection		[1]	
	First pump	each		\$ 1,175
	Each additional pump	each		\$ 686



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Fee No.	Fee Description	Fee Unit	Notes	Adopted Fee
2.3	Other Systems (includes plan review and inspection, if needed)		[1]	
	Gas Systems (Med Gas, Industrial Gas, LPG)	each		\$ 686
	Hood & Duct Extinguishing System	each		\$ 980
	Each additional system	each		\$ 980
	Pre-Action System with Alarm	each		\$ 980
	Refrigeration Systems	each		\$ 784
	Special Equipment (Ovens, Dust, Battery)	each		\$ 784
	Special Extinguishing System	each		\$ 784
	Spray Booths	each		\$ 980
	Water Tanks	per tank		\$ 784
	Underground and above ground storage tanks	per tank		\$ 980
	Energy Storage Systems (ESS)	per system		\$ 980
	Photovoltaic Systems	per system		\$ 980
3	Alarm Systems			
3.1	Alarm System Plan Review (up to 3)			
	0-10 devices	flat		\$ 588
	11-100 devices	flat		\$ 784
	101+-devices	flat		\$ 1,176
	Battery Calculations (review)	hourly		\$ 392
	Resubmittal Plan Review	hourly		\$ 392
	Alarm System Inspection		[1]	
	1-10 devices	flat		\$ 588
	Each additional device	each		\$ 98
	Progress/Additional/Re-Inspection (as requested or required/phasing)	hourly		\$ 392
3.2	Smoke Controls Plan Review (smoke & heat vents, barriers, enclosures, etc.)	minimum fee / per system		\$ 784
	Smoke Controls Plan Inspection/Test (smoke & heat vents, barriers, enclosures, etc.)	minimum fee / per system	[1]	\$ 784
3.3	Emergency Responder Radio Coverage System (ERRCS) Plan Review	each		\$ 392
	Emergency Responder Radio Coverage System (ERRCS) Inspection/FD test	each	[1]	\$ 392

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