

2006/07 CATAWBA COUNTY FEE SCHEDULE

As of July 1, 2006

Revised October 3, 2006

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Ambulance Services

Ambulance Base Rates

Advanced Life Support (Non-Emergency, No Specialized Services)	\$334.00
Advanced Life Support (Non-Emergency, Specialized Services)	\$334.00
Advanced Life Support (Emergency, Specialized Services).....	\$374.00
Advanced Life Support – ALS2.....	\$534.00
Advance Life Support Mileage	\$8.00
Basic Life Support (Non-Emergency)	\$283.00
Basic Life Support (Emergency)	323.00
Basic Life Support Mileage.....	\$8.00
Specialty Care Transport	\$613.00
Treatment / No Transport.....	\$140.00

Animal Shelter

Animal Adoption

Cats (all ages and sizes).....	\$50.00
Dogs (all ages and sizes)	\$75.00

Civil Penalties

1 st Violation	\$25.00
2 nd Violation	\$75.00
3 rd Violation.....	\$150.00
4 th Violation and each subsequent offense (Habitual Offender).....	\$250.00
Dangerous Dog Violation	\$100.00

Daily Board Fee

	\$8.00 per day
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Impoundment Fee

	\$50.00
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Rabies Vaccinations

	\$7.00
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Fire Permit / Inspection Fees (O = Operational, C = Construction)

Amusement buildings (O).....	\$50.00
Carnivals and Fairs (O)	\$50.00
Change of Business / Owner – ABC required permit for alcohol sale (O).....	\$50.00
Compressed Gases (excess) (C).....	\$50.00
Covered Mall Buildings (O)	\$50.00
Exhibits and Trade Shows (O)	\$50.00
Explosives and Blasting	\$150.00
Fire Alarm, Detection Systems, Related Equipment (install, modify) (C).....	\$50.00
Fire Extinguishing Systems, automatic (includes sprinklers, installation, and modification) (C)	\$75.00
Fire Hydrants, private (installation and modification) (C)	\$50.00
Fire Hydrants, private (removal from service, use, or operation) (O)	\$50.00
Fire Pumps and Related Equipment (installation and modification) (C)	\$50.00

Flammable or Combustible Liquids

Change type of contents in tank to more hazardous material (O)	\$50.00
Construct, install, or alter vehicles and facilities (C)	\$50.00
Install, remove, abandon, and place out-of-service above and underground tanks (O)	\$100.00 per tank
Manufacture, process, blend, or refine (O)	\$50.00
Operation of facilities, tank vehicles, & equipment (O)	\$50.00
Fumigation and Thermal Insecticide Fogging, storage of materials (O)	\$50.00
Hazardous Materials Facilities (construction and alterations) (C)	\$50.00
Industrial Ovens Construction (C)	\$50.00

Liquid Fuels

Dispensing into fuel tanks of motor vehicles at commercial, industrial, government, or manufacturing facilities (O)	\$50.00
Liquid or gas-fueled vehicles or equipment in assembly buildings (O)	\$50.00
Membrane Structures, Tents, and Canopies (temporary, permit to erect based on minimal size (C)	\$50.00
Pyrotechnic special effects material use and handling (fireworks) (O)	\$150.00
Safety Inspection due to Change of Use, Business, or Owner (over 30 days) or ABC required safety inspection permit for alcohol sales (O)	\$75.00
Spraying/Dipping Operation (flammable or combustible liquids or combustible powders (O)	\$50.00
Spraying/Dipping Operation (modification or installation of spray booths, rooms, or dip tanks (C)	\$50.00
Standpipe Systems (installation, modification, or removal) (C)	\$50.00
Temporary membrane structures, tents, and canopies (O)	\$50.00
Tents or air-supported structures (more than 200 square feet)	\$50.00

Hazardous Materials Emergencies (fees charged back to spiller)

Cost associated with extended operations	County cost
County personnel involved in response	1 2 regular hourly rate
Equipment Fee (any needed equipment not listed or owned by the County, includes lease/rental fees)	County cost
Emergency Response Vehicle	\$400.00 per hour
Local Fire Department Emergency Response (reimbursed to Fire Department)	
Ladder Truck	\$300.00 per hour
Pumper or Tanker	\$200.00 per hour
Squad Truck	\$100.00 per hour
Materials (booms, suits, absorbent, etc.)	County cost + 15%

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Copy of Catawba County Code with binder	\$100.00
Shipping for Code and binder	\$4.50
Amendments and Supplements	\$65.00

Copy of Ordinances

Cable Regulatory Ordinance.....	\$10.00
Solid Waste Management Ordinance	\$3.00
Personnel Ordinance	\$8.00

Copy Charges.....	\$0.05 per page
Return Check Fee	\$25.00

Risk Management Services:

Blood Borne Pathogens	\$10.00 per person
Defensive Driving Training.....	\$25.00 per person

LIBRARY

Audio-Visual Materials

Audio tapes	Late fee per day \$0.50 (Maximum of \$3.00 per audio; \$10.00 for any group of audios)
Video tapes	Late fee per day \$1.00 (Maximum of \$5.00 per video; \$10.00 for any group of videos)

Adult Print Materials

Late fee.....	\$0.20 per day (Maximum of \$3.00 per book, \$5.00 for any group of books)
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Copy / Print Charges.....	\$0.20 per page
Interlibrary Loan Materials	Late fee per day \$0.50
Replacement of Lost Library Card	\$1.00

PERSONNEL

Employee Health Clinic Fees

Allergy Injection.....	\$2.00
Audiometry	\$7.50
Blood Glucose (fasting)	\$8.00
Blood Glucose (one touch)	No charge if enrolled in Wellbucks and Diabetes Mgmt.
Heart Check Profile	\$11.00
Hepatitis Vaccine	\$40.00
Hormone Injection	\$2.00
Medical Screening.....	\$40.00
Office Visit.....	\$5.00
Pap Smear	\$30.00
Physical.....	\$40.00
Pregnancy Test	\$8.00
PSA	No charge if enrolled in Wellbucks
Quick Strep Kits	\$8.00

TB Skin Test	\$2.00
Tetanus Injection	\$2.00
Urinalysis (routine)	\$10.00
Urine Dip.....	\$3.00
Workers' Compensation Screening	\$85.00

PLANNING, PARKS, AND DEVELOPMENT

Planning & Zoning

Board of Adjustment

Application for Special Use Permit, Special Exception Permit, Extension/Change of Non-Conforming Use	\$425.00
Application for Variance	\$325.00

Copies of Ordinances/Plans

Design Manual	\$10.00
Highway 321 Corridor Plan	\$20.00
Small Area Plans.....	\$15.00
Strategic Growth Study	\$20.00
Unified Development Ordinance.....	\$35.00
VisionQuest 2010 Comprehensive Plan	\$30.00
VisionQuest 2010 Fold-out Map	\$4.00

Maps / Copies

Copies.....	\$0.05
County Street Map.....	\$1.00
GIS Map Copies	\$5.50

Rezoning Application

All Applications.....	\$650.00
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Road Assessment for POP.....	\$835.00
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Street Signs

Change of street name/sign	\$350.00 + \$100.00 each additional sign
New development.....	\$100.00/pole

Subdivisions

Performance Guarantee Inspection	\$30.00
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Subdivision Review

Exempt Plat Review	\$25.00
Extension of Major Preliminary Plat	\$70.00
Major Final Plat	\$200.00 + \$3.00 each lot
Major Preliminary Plat	\$200.00 + \$5.00 each lot
Minor/Family/Estate Subdivision Review	\$65.00
Performance Guarantee Extension	\$40.00
Performance Guarantee - Initial Review	\$150.00
Revised Major Preliminary/Sketch Plat Approval	\$70.00

Telecommunication Towers

Co-Location/Modification Review	\$1,500.00
New Tower Construction.....	\$5,000.00
Recertification	\$250.00

Text Amendment (Applicant Initiated).....	\$800.00
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Zoning Permits

Home Occupation Permit.....	\$25.00
Non-residential Accessory Structure Site Plan Review/Permit	\$50.00
Non-residential Change of Occupancy.....	\$50.00
Non-residential Site Plan Review/Permit	\$200.00
Residential Single Family	\$25.00
Residential Additions/Accessory Structures.....	\$25.00
Sign Permits	\$50.00
Text Amendment.....	\$800.00

Catawba County Parks

Bicycling Permit

Adult	\$2.00 per day; \$20.00 per year
Children	Free
Boating	\$2.00 per day, per boat; \$6.00 per year, per boat
Dog Park Usage Permit	\$20.00 per dog, per year
Picnic Shelter	\$5.00 per hour, per shelter; \$35.00 per day, per shelter
Sign Permit.....	\$10.00 per day
Vendor/Sales Permit	\$2% of gross sales or \$50 minimum

Park fees may be waived for County Sponsored events and schooling-sponsored programs. School groups coming to the Park for educational programs or other curricula based activities should apply in advance for a waiver of Park fees. A letter on school stationary listing the date of the proposed visit, number of students, number of chaperones, and the educational purpose for the visit will serve as a waiver request. Letters should be mailed to the Park Ranger, Planning & Development, P O Box 389, Newton, NC 28658. Requests must be received at least two weeks in advance of the planned visit.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Clinic Services

Tests

Pregnancy Test	\$20.00
Tuberculosis Skin Test	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00

Vaccines

Hepatitis A - Adult.....	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Hepatitis A – Pediatric	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Hepatitis B - Adult	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Human Papilloma Virus (HPV).....	\$138.00 per dose
Influenza	Cost of vaccine + \$24.00
Meningococcal (Menactra).....	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Meningococcal (Menomune)	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
M.M.R.....	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Pneumococcal (Pneumovax).....	Cost of vaccine + \$13.00
Polio (IPOL).....	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Rabies, pre/post-exposure (Imovax).....	Cost of vaccine + \$33.00
Rabies, pre/post-exposure (Rabivert)	Cost of vaccine + \$33.00

Tetanus, Diptheria, and Pertusis (TdaP)	\$49.00 per dose
Twinrex (Hep A/B)	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Typhoid.....	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Varicella (Varivax)	Cost of vaccine + \$26.00
Yellow Fever	Cost of vaccine + \$33.00
Other	
CPR Education Fee	\$15.00
Dental Clinic minimum pay per visit.....	\$10.00
Duplicate Copies of Medical Records	\$0.05 per page up to \$10.00
First Aid Education Fee	\$7.00
Foreign Travel Consultation Stamp.....	\$10.00
Vaccine Admin – 1 injection	\$8.00
Vaccine Admin – 2 or more injections.....	\$14.00

Environmental Health Division

Authorization to Construct (New and Repair - Includes Improvement Permit fee):

Private Building Lots (4 bedrooms or less, 480 gallons per day and less).....	\$270.00
Any system	
over 480-900 gallons per day.....	\$375.00
over 901-3,000 gallons per day.....	\$650.00
over 3,000 gallons per day.....	\$650.00
(An application for Improvement Permits or Authorization to Construct must be made. An Improvement Permit or Authorization to Construct will not be issued unless the property lines are clearly marked, the house or building staked, the driveway and parking location marked, and another information necessary to issue the permit.)	

Beneficial Fill Landfill

Application and inspections.....	\$65.00
Change of Improvement Permit/Authorization to Construct/Well Permit	
Re-trip and re-design fee	\$60.00
Existing System Inspection (relocating mobile homes or use of an existing system)	
Visual Inspection	\$80.00
Existing System Statement (Re-evaluation for Sewage Disposal/Well Report)	
Existing House.....	\$110.00
(existing system check and/or well check, including water sample)	
New House	No charge
(Authorization to Construct or Operation Permit is available. House not lived in and no need for well check.)	

*Note: An Application for Water Supply and/or Sewage Disposal Report must be made.

Food and Lodging Plan Review Fee	\$200.00
Improvement Permit (for Site/Soil Evaluation only)	
Evaluation for any system	\$140.00
(An application for Improvement Permits or Authorization to Construct must be made. An Improvement Permit or Authorization to Construct will not be issued unless the property lines are clearly marked, the house or building staked, the driveway and parking location marked, and another information necessary to issue the permit.)	
Individual Demolition Debris Landfill Permit	
Permit and inspections.....	\$200.00
Land Clearing and Inert Debris Landfill Permit	

Permit and quarterly inspections	\$165.00
Lead Screening and Consultation	
Residential home swab test only, non-quantitative	\$95.00
Public swimming pool	
Inspection Fee/Permit	\$80.00
Septic Tank Pumpers	\$40.00
Subdivision Lot Review and Evaluation (for Planning Department Report only)	
Preliminary Walkover/Opinion (Preliminary Report – required for 6 or more)	
6 to 20 Planned Lots	\$125.00
More than 20 Planned Lots	\$170.00
Soil/Lot Evaluations (Final Report)	
Each Lot.....	\$30.00
(An application for Subdivision Lot Review and Evaluation must be made. On 5 or more lots, an Application for Subdivision must be filled out and processed first, then an Application for Improvement Permit or Authorization to Construct must be filled out before an Improvement Permit or Authorization to Construct can be issued. On 5 or more lots for evaluation, a backhoe will be required. The Opinion Statement and the Evaluation Final Report are reports only, as required by the Planning Board. The Subdivision Lot Review and Evaluation process is not for the purpose of the issuance of an Improvement Permit or Authorization to Construct are desired on less than five lots, then separate applications must be made for the specific lots. The remaining lots will be processed through the Subdivision Lot Review and Evaluation procedure.)	
Swimming Pool Plan Review	\$300.00
Swimming Pool/Spa	
Operating < 8 months	\$150.00
Operating > 8 months	\$200.00
Tattoo establishment	
Permit for Tattoo Artist (12 months)	\$200.00 per artist
Tattoo Plan Review	\$265.00
Water sample	
Bacteriological, inorganic chemical, fluoride, lead, Nitrate, Petroleum, Volatile Organic Analysis (VOA), pesticide	\$58.00
Well Construction and Inspection Permit	
Permit and inspection, including water sample	\$190.00

Fees are non-refundable once a visit is made

Home Health

Flu shot for homebound patients - not HH patients	\$23.00
Home Health visit (Per visit)	
Home Health Aide	\$53.00
Medical Social Worker	\$122.00
Occupational therapy services	\$105.00
Physical therapist.....	\$105.00
Private Pay/Personal Care Aide	\$22.00
Skilled nurse.....	\$105.00
Speech therapy.....	\$105.00
In-service Programs	
Programs presented in the Health Department	\$100.00 per program
Supplies for each person attending above 10	\$1.00 each
Programs presented on site in Catawba County.....	\$100.00 per program

Supplies for each person attending above 10	\$1.00 each
Travel fee	\$25.00
Programs presented on site out of Catawba County.....	\$100.00 per program
Supplies for each person attending above 10	\$1.00 each
Travel fee	\$25.00
(plus charge per mile driven out of County based on County's current mileage rate)	

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Fee for impounded vehicles (per car, per day).....	\$5.00
Inmate Housing Fee (per day, out of County)	\$45.00
Inmate Medical Service Fees:	
Sick Call/Nurse	\$5.00
Sick Call/Doctor	\$10.00
Medical transportation to private doctor.....	\$50.00
Prescriptions Co-Payment	Cost
Lab Services Co-Payment.....	Cost
Over the Counter Medications	Cost + 15%
Fingerprinting.....	\$10.00
Project Lifesavers Bracelet	\$275.00
Project Lifesaver Bracelet Replacement Battery and Band.....	\$10.00 per month
Surrendered weapon storage fee (per weapon, per month).....	\$5.00

TAX

ABC Licenses

Beer on premises	\$25.00
Beer off premises	\$5.00
Wine on premises.....	\$25.00
Wine off premises.....	\$25.00

Copies

Aerial Map - Laser Printer	\$0.75
Custom Map or Report - Laser Printer (picked-up)	\$0.50
Tax Cards	\$0.05

Sale of Maps

Plotter Reprints (bond paper, all sized).....	\$15.00
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Privilege Licenses

Automobile Dealer	\$25.00
Bowling Alley.....	\$10.00 per alley
Check Cashing Business (machines)	\$100.00
Circuses and Animal Shows.....	\$25.00 per day
Dealers in Firearms.....	\$50.00
Dealers in Other Weapons	\$200.00
Electronic Video Games	\$5.00 per machine
Emigrant and Employment Agencies	\$100.00
Fortune Tellers (Palmist)	\$500.00
Installing elevators and sprinkler systems	\$100.00
Itinerant Merchants (selling from vacant lot, etc.)	\$100.00
Loan Agencies	\$100.00

Motorcycle Dealers	\$12.50
Music Machines	\$5.00 per machine
Pawnbrokers.....	\$275.00
Peddlers – farm products	\$25.00
Peddlers – on foot	\$10.00
Peddlers – with vehicle.....	\$25.00
Pinball Machines and Similar Amusements	\$25.00
(hobbyhorse, all riding devices, shooting gallery, swimming pool, skating rink, miniature golf, and carnivals)	
Pool Tables.....	\$25.00 per business location
Service Stations	\$12.50
Wholesale Supply Dealers	\$37.50
(includes truck, tractor, and mobile home dealers)	

TECHNOLOGY

GIS Fees

Custom Maps

Analyst time\$50.00 per hour (1 hour minimum/1 map)

Map Printing

Color Printer

8 ½ x 11 \$2.00

11 x 17 \$3.00

Laser Printer – 8 ½ x 11

Map..... \$0.50

Aerial Map..... \$0.75

Plotter Reprints

Bond Paper (all sizes) \$15.00

High Gloss (ortho) \$20.00

Digital Data Pricing

1-50 Tiles/Layers..... \$5.00 per Tile/Layer

51 – 100 Tiles/Layers..... \$2.00 per Tile/Layer

Countywide

Parcels, Structures, Topology, etc..... \$200.00/Layer

School, Voting, Floodplain, etc. \$100.00/Layer

Digital Ortho Photos

Individual Tiles..... \$25.00

Seamless Countywide mosaic (Mr. Sid) \$200.00

Subscription Service\$700.00/Annually

(Parcels, Structures, Topology, Centerlines, Floodplain, Hydrology, City Limits, and Mr. Sid Ortho Updates received twice per year. Subscription Service runs for 12 months from date of purchase.)

Street Atlas

County Affiliated Organizations \$15.00

General Public \$30.00

ITC Fees

Reports (\$1.00 per CD; \$0.36 per diskette; \$0.05 per page if printed)

UTILITIES & ENGINEERING

Building Permit Fees

Schedule A – New Buildings/Structures/Additions/Building Permit Fee

Blanket permit fees will be based on the Building Valuation Data per square foot, as published biannually by the International Code Council (ICC). Square foot construction costs shall be adjusted in accordance with the regional cost modifiers as published by the ICC and shall serve as the minimum acceptable cost per square foot for such work.

Building Permit 65% of Blanket Permit
 Electrical Permit 14% of Blanket Permit
 Mechanical Permit 12% of Blanket Permit
 Plumbing Permit 9% of Blanket Permit

Table A Catawba County Square Foot Multiplier

Group ^b	(2003 International Building Code)	Type of Construction								
		IA	IB	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IV	VA	VB
A-1	Assembly, theaters, with stage	1.031	0.998	0.973	0.932	0.865	0.861	0.902	0.800	0.770
	Assembly, theaters, without stage	0.951	0.918	0.893	0.853	0.785	0.781	0.823	0.720	0.690
A-2	Assembly, nightclubs	0.803	0.778	0.758	0.729	0.677	0.675	0.703	0.622	0.601
A-2	Assembly, restaurants, bars, banquet halls	0.797	0.772	0.747	0.723	0.665	0.669	0.698	0.610	0.595
A-3	Assembly, churches	0.572	0.552	0.537	0.513	0.473	0.470	0.825	0.434	0.416
A-3	Assembly, community halls, libraries	0.812	0.779	0.748	0.714	0.640	0.642	0.684	0.575	0.551
A-4	Assembly, arenas	0.797	0.772	0.747	0.723	0.665	0.669	0.698	0.610	0.595
B	Business	0.612	0.590	0.571	0.544	0.488	0.484	0.698	0.435	0.419
E	Educational	0.435	0.420	0.408	0.390	0.360	0.351	0.754	0.385	0.371
F-1	Factory and industrial, moderate hazard	0.347	0.331	0.312	0.302	0.261	0.265	0.413	0.223	0.211
F-2	Factory and industrial, low hazard	0.343	0.327	0.312	0.298	0.261	0.261	0.408	0.223	0.207
H-1	High Hazard, explosives	0.465	0.442	0.420	0.400	0.349	0.349	0.383	0.294	N.P.
H234	High Hazard	0.465	0.442	0.420	0.400	0.349	0.349	0.383	0.294	0.272
H-5	HPM	0.816	0.787	0.762	0.726	0.650	0.646	0.698	0.581	0.558
I-1	Institutional, supervised environment	0.403	0.389	0.379	0.364	0.334	0.334	0.722	0.307	0.295
I-2	Institutional, incapacitated	0.679	0.664	0.652	0.634	0.595	N.P.	1.240	0.560	N.P.
I-3	Institutional, restrained	0.464	0.449	0.436	0.418	0.384	0.379	0.809	0.349	0.332
I-4	Institutional, day care facilities	0.403	0.389	0.379	0.364	0.334	0.334	0.722	0.461	0.442
M	Mercantile	0.448	0.430	0.411	0.393	0.352	0.355	0.498	0.311	0.299
R-1	Residential, hotels	0.808	0.781	0.760	0.730	0.671	0.670	0.725	0.617	0.593
R-2	Residential, multiple family	0.678	0.651	0.630	0.599	0.541	0.541	0.596	0.487	0.463
R-3 ^d	Residential, one- and two-family	0.650	0.632	0.617	0.600	0.572	0.571	0.589	0.545	0.513
R-4	Residential, care/assisted living facilities	0.806	0.779	0.758	0.727	0.668	0.668	0.722	0.614	0.590
S-1	Storage, moderate hazard	0.275	0.262	0.245	0.237	0.202	0.206	0.377	0.169	0.160
S-2	Storage, low hazard	0.272	0.258	0.245	0.233	0.202	0.202	0.371	0.169	0.156
U	Utility, miscellaneous ^a	0.347	0.328	0.309	0.293	0.255	0.255	0.274	0.209	0.199

a. Private Garages are group U.

b. Unfinished basements use 0.072 as the Catawba County Square Foot Multiplier.

c. N.P. = Not Permitted - These use groups are not permitted in these Construction Types.

d. Building Permits will be affected by \$10.00 surcharge effective August 1, 2003 as mandated by Senate Bill 321 - "Homeowners Recovery Fund" (G.S. 87-15.b)

* This table is based on the ICC fee schedule method and Catawba County square foot building costs. For more information on fee schedule contact the Catawba County Permit Center at (828) 465-8399.

Permit Fee: Gross Area x Catawba County Building Cost Factor (Table A)

Gross Area: The area included within surrounding exterior walls, or exterior walls and firewalls exclusive of courts per floor.

Square Foot Construction Cost: Published by ICC based on occupancy and type of construction.

Regional Cost modifier: Based on North Carolina as published by the ICC.

Catawba County Building Cost Factor (CCBCF): A mechanism for adjusting building

construction costs specifically for Catawba County set for each building group and construction type annually with County budget adoption and are based on actual documented building costs during the fiscal year.

Note: The Board of Commissioners established the formula for fees on June 4, 2004.

Permit Fee Multiplier =

$$\frac{\text{Amount of Building Services Budget to be recovered through permit fees (1)}}{\text{Total Annual Construction Value (2)}}$$

1. Building Services Division budget as approved by the Catawba County Board of Commissioners including the percentage of the budget that is to be recovered through permit fees.
2. Based on historical records, total annual construction value in dollars that has occurred within Catawba County in the previous year.

Appeals: Building valuation data may be appealed by one of the following methods:

1. Upon issuance of a Certificate of Compliance the permit holder may submit final documentation of all building construction costs to include structural, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, interior finish, normal site preparation, architectural and design fees, overhead and profit. Documentation will be compared to ICC Square Foot Construction Costs to determine if the initial building valuation was accurate. All documentation that verifies a difference of more than 10 % from the initial building valuation data to the actual completed cost of construction can be appealed for a refund of a portion of the permit fees initially paid.
2. Permit applicants may appeal valuation data by submitting a Cost of Construction claim form to the Catawba County Permit Center at time of permit issuance. This form shall be sealed and certified by a North Carolina registered design professional engaged in the project. The contractors and design professionals shall also agree to supply the County with all change orders that occur during project construction. Prior to issuance of a Certificate of Compliance the permit holder will be responsible to reimburse Catawba County for any additional permit fees that may be assessed due to change orders that increase the value of the building by more than 10% of the original cost of construction.

Structure values which are not identified by the International Code Council BVD will be based on the contractor’s estimate and using the permit fee multiplier with a minimum building permit of \$88.00. Examples of such structures are swimming pools, signs, cell towers, private piers, etc.

Schedule B – Permit Fees Phased Construction

Category of Work	Building Permit	Mechanical (if needed)	Electrical (if needed)	Plumbing (if needed)
Footing/Foundation	50% of Building	50% of Mechanical	50% of Electrical	50% of Plumbing

Shell-In	50% of Building	50% of Mechanical	50% of Electrical	50% of Plumbing
Up-fit	100% of Blanket Permit			

Schedule C – Miscellaneous Fees

	Building Permit - Commercial	Building Permit – Residential	Mechanical Permit	Electrical Permit	Plumbing Permit
Modular	\$88.00	\$88.00	\$61.00	\$61.00	\$61.00
Manufactured Home	NA	\$71.00	\$44.00	\$44.00	\$44.00
Minimum Fees	\$88.00	\$88.00	\$61.00	\$61.00	\$61.00
Expired Permit Renewal Fee	\$88.00	\$88.00	\$61.00	\$61.00	\$61.00
Deck Permit	Schedule F	\$40.00	NA	NA	NA
Demolition	\$150.00	\$75.00	NA	NA	NA
Covering Deck or Porch	Schedule F	\$40.00	NA	NA	NA
Re-roof	\$150.00	\$75.00	NA	NA	NA

- Archive Research (per project) \$22.00
- Change of any contractor (owner must remain the same – if owner changes, minimum fee rates will apply to all permits)..... \$26.00
- Off Duty/After Hour Inspections \$105.00 per hour or any fraction thereof
- Permit Placard..... \$5.00
- Refunds on Active permits (only if no inspections have been made)
 - Less Administration Cost..... \$26.00
- Re-trip Fee for any type of inspection..... \$121.00
- Work Started without Permit Double Permit Fee

Schedule D – Safety Inspections (based on square footage)

- 0 – 5,000 \$79.00
- 5,001 – 10,000 \$121.00
- 10,001 – 50,000 \$163.00
- Over 50,001 \$205.00

Schedule E – Plan Review (fee due at time of submittal)

- Contracted Services..... \$75.00 per hour plus reimbursable expenses
- Express Plan Review (Interior Work) \$800.00 per hour or any fraction thereof
- Express Plan Review (Exterior Work)..... \$950.00 per hour or any fraction thereof
- Plan Review Submittal or Re-Submittal (each review)..... \$10.00

Schedule F – Building Permit Fee (Existing Structures)

- Alterations, renovations, and repairs to existing structures based on contractor’s estimate and using the fee schedule below with a minimum building permit fee of \$88.00.
- \$0 - \$5,000 \$88.00
- \$5,001 - \$100,000 \$88.00 + \$3.00 for each additional thousand or part thereof

\$100,001 - \$1,000,000\$373.00 + \$2.50 for each additional thousand or part thereof
 Over \$1,000,000\$2,623.00 + \$1.50 for each additional thousand or part thereof

Schedule G – Electrical Permit Fee (Existing Structures)

Power Service – Sub Panel

0 – 100 AMPS \$50.00 single family/duplex; \$75.00 commercial
 101 – 200 AMPS\$75.00 00 single family/duplex; \$125.00 commercial
 201 – 600 AMPS\$150.00 00 single family/duplex; \$175.00 commercial
 601 – 1,200 AMPS\$175.00 00 single family/duplex; \$250.00 commercial
 1,201 – 2,000 AMPS\$200.00 00 single family/duplex; \$300.00 commercial
 2,001 – above AMPS.....\$225.00 00 single family/duplex; \$400.00 commercial
 Camper/RV Service \$50.00
 Electrical Permit Fee
 Electrical wiring per tenant space (wiring on or in the structure)..... \$50.00
 Electrical wiring for pools and signs without a service meter \$61.00
 Fire Alarm System for an existing building \$71.00
 Monthly Renewal Fee for Temporary Electrical Agreement \$47.00
 Pole Service – based on power service size (AMPS) based on AMP chart above
 Re-connect Fee for multiple mechanical/plumbing systems or equipment \$50.00
 Re-connect Fee for single mechanical/plumbing system or equipment \$25.00
 Sign Service – based on power service size (AMPS) based on AMP chart above
 Temporary Electrical (by agreement per meter) \$121.00
 Temporary Power Pole \$39.00

Initial temporary electric fee will be assessed at time of permit issuance for all commercial projects to facilitate testing of systems and equipment prior to final inspection.

Electrical permits are required for the installation, extension, alteration, or general repair of any electrical wiring, devices, appliances, or equipment.

Category of Work	Single Family/Duplex	Commercial
	System/Equipment/Appliance	System/Equipment/Appliance
Replacement/Extension of a Single System	\$30.00	\$75.00
Replacement /Extension of two systems	\$55.00	\$145.00
New Installation (each system less than 3)	\$55.00 ea.	\$100.00 ea.
Multiple Units (3 or more)	\$125.00	\$275.00

Schedule H – Existing Structures Mechanical Permit Fee

Monthly Renewal Fee for Temporary Mechanical Agreement \$47.00
 Temporary Mechanical (by agreement per meter) \$121.00

Initial temporary mechanical fee will be assessed at time of permit issuance for all

commercial projects to facilitate testing of systems and equipment prior to final inspection.

Mechanical permits are required for installation, extension, alteration, or general repair of Systems/Equipment including heat pumps, Apollo units, gas packs, furnaces, air conditioners, radiant heat systems, chillers; air handlers, refrigeration units, spray booths, boilers, hood systems, etc. and Appliances consisting of unit heaters, wall furnaces, fireplace insets, gas lights, gas grills, gas logs, gas water heaters, gas lines*, etc.

*Separate gas line permit will be required if gas line is not installed by system/appliance contractor.

Schedule I – Existing Structures Plumbing Permit Fee

Fire Sprinkler System for an existing building.....	\$47.00
Replacement of existing like fixture(s) no fee for single family/duplex ...	\$25.00 commercial
Single New Fixture per Tenant Space.....	\$25.00 single family/duplex; \$50.00 commercial
Multiple New Fixtures per Tenant Space	\$50.00 single family/duplex; \$125.00 commercial
Single New Bath Group per Tenant Space	\$75.00 single family/duplex; \$150.00 commercial
Multiple New Bath Group per Tenant Space	\$125.00 single family/duplex; \$275.00 commercial
Water Heater reconnect/water service line/building sewer	\$25.00

Plumbing Permits are required for the installations, extension, or general repair of utilization equipment, drain, waste, vent, and water distribution systems. Examples of utilization equipment include water heaters, dishwashers, disposals, etc.

****Fees will be assessed and collected on all permits when issued****

Septage Collection Transportation & Disposal Fees

Disposal of Septage Load is calculated based on \$.0367 per gallon with minimum charge of \$37.00 rounded to the nearest dollar.

Erosion and Sedimentation Control

These fees are for sites that **disturb more than one acre**. Sites that disturb more than one acre are required to submit a formal erosion control plan. Once the site has been permitted, it will be inspected on a regular basis.

Express Plan Review When combined with Building Services Express Plan Review, Building Services hourly rate for plan review plus \$150.00 per disturbed acre or any part thereof, acres 2 through 999,999.

Stand Alone Express Plan Review \$97.50 per hour or any fraction thereof minimum \$200.00, plus \$150.00 per disturbed acres or any part thereof, acres 2 through 999,999.

Plan Review \$200.00 (includes the first acre disturbed, plus \$150.00 per disturbed acre or any part thereof, acres 2 through 999,999).

Permit Placard..... \$5.00
 Fines for Notice of Violation..... Varies based on severity, adherence to approved plan, prior record, whether the violation was committed willfully, amount of money saved by noncompliance, cost of rectifying the damage, and staff investigative costs.

Reinspection Fee (required after Notice of Violation) \$125.00

If a site is out of compliance, it will receive a Notice of Violation. Any project that is under an NOV may not have any activity (I.E. Building Services inspections) until the site is brought into compliance and the required fine is paid to the Catawba County Finance Department, and the re-inspection fee has been paid. Fines and re-inspection fees may NOT be billed on an account.

The project management fee is assessed only on sites that **do not disturb more than one acre** (i.e. single family homes), are not required to submit an erosion control plan, **and** only after County inspectors have investigated a complaint and found that the site is not in compliance with erosion control laws.

Project Management Fee \$50.00
 (Fee for sites not requiring a formal erosion control plan, but found to be in violation of the North Carolina Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973 (Staff will recommend adequate sediment control measures and inspect the site. Inspections will cease once site is stabilized.)

Solid Waste Management Disposal

Sanitary Landfill hours of operations are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 11:30 am, Saturday, Closed Sunday

Sanitary Landfill

Municipal Solid Waste\$30.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum

Industrial Wood Waste

Furniture Wood, glued, stained, etc.....\$30.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum
 Mixed with sawdust\$30.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum
 Painted or treated\$30.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum
 Chipboard and/or pressboard\$30.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum
 Saw Dust.....\$6.00 per ton/\$3.00 minimum
 Chipped wood waste (no less than 2" and no more than 5" in diameter. Must be pre-approved as non-hazardous\$6.00 per ton/\$3.00 minimum

Special Waste

Construction & Demolition

Contaminated with more than 10% cardboard or wood....\$45.00 per ton/\$22.50 minimum

Any Waste Contaminated with more than

10% Cardboard (from industrial entities only).....\$90.00 per ton/\$45.00 minimum

20% Springs.....	\$90.00 per ton/\$45.00 minimum
50% Foam Rubber	\$90.00 per ton/\$45.00 minimum
Wire or cable over 4 ft.....	\$90.00 per ton/\$45.00 minimum
Bulky items not easily compacted.....	\$90.00 per ton/\$45.00 minimum

Friable Asbestos*

*The State required friable asbestos to be covered with soil requiring extra landfill space; therefore the fee will increase accordingly.....\$120.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum

Other Materials

Forklift Tires with metal rims embedded in rubber	\$50.00 per ton
Dead Animals	\$30.00 per ton/\$15.00 minimum

Construction & Demolition Landfill and Grinding Area

Hours of operations are Standard Time 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am to 11:30 am, Saturday, Closed Sunday; Daylight Savings Time 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday.

Construction & Demolition Landfill

Demolition debris is defined as follows: Waste produced from the demolition of a structure (house, building, mobile home, etc.). This includes items that are inside the structure at time of demolition, except appliances and materials not accepted at the landfill for disposal.

Construction debris is defined as follows: Waste produced during the construction of a structure (house, building, deck, etc.).

Construction and Demolition Permit number and address of the site are required on transaction tickets when unloading such waste at the landfill.

Construction & Demolition Landfill

Lumber over 8 feet in length.....	\$19.50 per ton/\$10.00 minimum
Painted, treated or creosote	\$19.50 per ton/\$10.00 minimum
Chipboard and/or pressboard	\$19.50 per ton/\$10.00 minimum
Brick/block with reinforcement material and/or contaminated with other waste.....	\$19.50 per ton/\$10.00 minimum
Drywall.....	\$19.50 per ton/\$10.00 minimum
Roofing/Shingles	\$19.50 per ton/\$10.00 minimum

Grinding

Grass and leaves that need to be de-bagged.....	\$17.00 per ton/\$8.00 minimum
Lumber less than 8 feet in length	\$17.00 per ton/\$8.00 minimum
Pallets	\$17.00 per ton/\$8.00 minimum

Other Materials

Brick/block without reinforcement material and separated from other waste	\$6.00 per ton/\$3.00 minimum
Clean furniture wood waste for grinding (no glue, stain, etc)	\$6.00 per ton/\$3.00 minimum
Mobile Homes (Arrangements must be made prior to acceptance	

at landfill)..... \$0.27 square foot

Items Free of Charge

Loose grass and leaves (de-bagged).....No Charge
Asphalt.....No Charge

Note: Construction and Demolition and Grinding fees are the same for residential, commercial or industrial users.

Ground and/or Non-ground Brush, Limbs, and Trees

These items will be charged on a per load basis. The amount charged will depend on the type of vehicle and if the material is separated to be grindable or if it is mixed and non-grindable. Materials brought to the landfill in compactor vehicle will be charged by the ton.

Vehicle Type	Grindable Load	Non-grindable Load
Pick-up Truck	\$8.00 per load	\$10.00 per load
Pick-up with trailer (both loaded)	\$15.00 per load	\$20.00 per load
Single Axle	\$30.00 per load	\$80.00 per load
Tandem Axle	\$75.00 per load	\$150.00 per load
Tri-axle	\$87.00 per load	\$165.00 per load
Trailer dump up to 30'	\$130.00 per load	\$180.00 per load
Trailer dump 31' to 39'	\$143.00 per load	\$190.00 per load
Trailer dump over 39'	\$155.00 per load	\$210.00 per load
Compactor	\$20.00 per ton	\$24.00 per ton

Loads of grubbing, roots, stumps and loads contaminated with dirt, brush, limbs, trees, etc. will not be considered grindable and will be charged the non-grindable rate.

If a load of waste is unloaded at the grinders and it has other materials mixed in that makes the load non-grindable, a special handling fee will be charged for the load. This fee is for employee and equipment time to transport the material to the Landfill to be buried.

Mulch and Compost

Pickup of mulch \$5.00 per vehicle
Larger vehicles of mulch..... \$6.00 per bucket
Pickup of compost..... \$12.00 per vehicle
Larger vehicles of compost \$15.00 per bucket

(No Mulch or Compost Sales on Wednesday)

Scrap Tires

Tires without proper documentation, Tires that have been buried, Tires stockpiled prior to January 1,1994, and Out of State Tires..... \$72.00 per ton

Note: If the Sanitary Landfill is used when the Construction and Demolition Landfill is closed, users will be charged Sanitary Landfill fees.

Convenience Centers

Cooksville-located on Rhoney Farm Road

Open-Friday & Saturday
Closed-Sunday – Thursday
Hours-8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Phone 704.462.1497

Blackburn-located on Rocky Ford Road

Open-Monday - Saturday
Closed-Sunday
Hours-8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Phone 704.462.2496

Oxford-located on Lookout

Dam Road
Open- Wednesday - Sunday
Closed-Monday and Tuesday
Hours-10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Phone 828.241.3774

Sherrills Ford-located on Sherrills Ford Rd

Open-Wednesday - Sunday
Closed-Monday and Tuesday
Hours-10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Phone 828.478.2248

Newton-located on Bethany Church Road

Open-Tuesday - Saturday
Closed-Sunday and Monday
Hours-10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Phone 828.465.4635

Residential Waste Only

1 to 5 (32 gallon) bags	\$1.00 per bag
Small truckload (6 foot bed-waste in truck only).....	\$8.00
Large truckload (8 foot bed-waste in truck only).....	\$12.00
Trucks with sideboards or waste higher than 2 ft above bed.....	\$16.00
Trucks with camper tops.....	\$16.00
Trucks w/6 foot or less trailers (waste in truck and trailer).....	\$24.00
Trucks w/more than 6 foot trailers (waste in truck and trailer).....	\$32.00

Recyclables

Recyclables only (properly cleaned and separated) No Charge

- Recyclables must be reasonably compressed, cleaned, segregated and free of waste.
- After attendant checks the recyclables, citizens are required to sort and place in designated recycling containers.
- Recyclables must be on current list of accepted materials.
- Clear 32 gal. recycling bags may be purchased at cost from the Convenience Centers, the Blackburn Landfill office, or the Utilities and Engineering Department in the Government Center.
- Credit for recycling does not carry over to next visit.
- The attendant may give credit for cardboard if equivalent to bags of recyclables.

For information on curbside pick up, please call Garbage Disposal Service at 828/256-2158.

For disposal information please call the Blackburn Landfill at 704/462-1348.

Water and Sewer

Water Connections (Capital Fee)

Table 1 - Water

Residential Water Connections Per Unit

Residential (single, duplex, apartment, town homes, condominiums, etc.) \$1,000.00

A one-time Water Capital Fee reduction of 50% will be offered during waterline construction to residential properties that have an existing potable water well.

Table 2 - Water

Commercial, Industrial, Institutional (churches, educational facilities, etc.) and Agricultural Water Connections

3/4" connection/tap.....	\$1,000.00
1" connection/tap.....	\$1,500.00
1-1/2" connection/tap.....	\$2,000.00
2" connection/tap.....	\$3,000.00
3" connection/tap.....	\$4,500.00
4" connection/tap.....	\$6,000.00
6" connection/tap.....	\$9,000.00
8" connection/tap.....	\$15,000.00
10" connection/tap.....	\$25,000.00
12" connection/tap.....	\$40,000.00

Water Capital Fees for Churches are 50% of the amount shown in Table 2.

Waste Water Connections (Capital Fee)

Table 1 - Waste Water

Residential Waste Water Connections Per Unit

Residential (single-family, duplex, apartments, town homes, condominiums, etc.) ... \$3,000

Table 2 – Waste Water

Commercial, Industrial, Institutional (churches, educational facilities, etc.) and Agricultural Waste Water Connections

Water Connection Size	Minimum Capital Fee per Meter up to 360 gallons per day	Additional Capital Fee per Gallon over 360 Gallons per Day
¾" connection/tap	\$3,000	\$1.60
1" connection/tap	\$4,500	\$1.60
1-½ " connection/tap	\$6,000	\$1.60
2" connection/tap	\$9,000	\$1.60
3" connection/tap	\$13,500	\$1.60
4" connection/tap	\$18,000	\$1.60
6" connection/tap	\$27,000	\$1.60
8" connection/tap	\$45,000	\$1.60
10" connection/tap	TBD	\$1.60

12" connection/tap	TBD	\$1.60
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Gallons per Day based on NCDENR Rules for Sewage Systems 15A NCAC 18A.1900

Other

Residential & Commercial Subdivision & Development Engineering Fee

0 - 100 lots or units..... \$250.00

101 - 200 lots or units..... \$500.00

201 - 300 lots or units..... \$750.00

Engineering Fee will continue at a rate of \$250 per 100 lots or units or any part thereof.

CURRENT FEE POLICIES

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Emergency Ambulance Fees

Recover 50% of cost of emergency ambulance service but maintain a reasonable rate compared to other counties.

Convalescent Transportation Fees

Maximize reimbursements and recover at least 100% of the cost.

Adoption of Animals

Charge a fee low enough to encourage responsible adoption of animals.

Animal Boarding Fees

A fee is charged for boarding of animals at the shelter. It is implied that this charge is to promote responsible ownership and cover the cost of feeding, cleaning, and otherwise caring for the animal.

Animal Return to Owner Fee

If a dog is impounded for running and after having been found to be a public nuisance, the owner may reclaim his dog by paying penalty fees designed to encourage and promote responsible pet ownership.

Fee Charged to Cities for Use of Animal Shelter

To equally share the cost of operating the animal shelter with cities that use the shelter. Costs are allocated based on ratio of cities population to the county population. Conover also shares in the cost of animal control under the same formula. Cities pay 100% of their share of costs.

Fire Permit/ Inspection Fees

To charge a minimal fee that encourages proper storage, use, or handling of hazardous materials, substance, and devices.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Copy Charges

Recover the cost of copies with a fair rate but a rate high enough that it does not promote excessive copying.

Return Check Fee

Catawba County code sections 7-40 sets forth a fee for returned checks. Though not specifically stated, it is implied that the policy of this fee is to discourage people from writing bad checks to the County.

Risk Management Services

Recover the cost of providing training, including personnel costs.

LIBRARY

Audio-Visual Equipment

Audio Visual equipment rental fees were established to insure that the equipment was well taken care of by the Library patrons.

Audio-Visual Materials

Overdue fees for audiovisual materials are set at a rate that encourages the timely return of materials.

Adult Print Materials

Overdue fees are established to encourage the timely return of materials.

Youth Print Materials

There are no overdue fees charged for the late return of Youth Materials.

Interlibrary Loan Materials

Interlibrary loan policies are often set by the lending library. Overdue fees reflect the standard rate charged Statewide.

Photocopies

Photocopy machine access provides our customers the opportunity to photocopy materials at a reasonable cost.

Printer Copies

Computer generated printer copy fees are established at a cost recovery rate comparable to the fees for photocopies.

Lost Library Card

There is no charge for the first Library card. Replacement Library cards are \$1.00.

Out of County Usage Fee

There is no charge for Out of County usage.

PLANNING, PARKS, & DEVELOPMENT

Planning & Zoning Fees

Recording plats, ordinances, maps/ publications, street signs, board of adjustment, rezoning fees, road assessments. Fees support 100% of the cost of providing services (including labor).

PUBLIC HEALTH

Clinical Services

Clinical fees are based on the *Medicaid Rates for Local Health Departments*, as issued by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Medical Assistance, and Division of Public Health Services. Where service cost is higher than the

Medicaid rate or the Medicaid rate is unavailable, charges will be based on the actual costs. Clinical fees are billed to insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid as applicable. In the event the provider does not reimburse, the patient will be billed. Bills may include a discount based on pre-determined eligibility. Eligibility scale is based on Federal poverty level as adjusted annually by DHHS.

Environmental Health Fees

Fees will support 100% of the total cost.

Home Health Fees

Home Health fees are based on Medicare and Medicaid rates. Where service costs (as determined by an annual cost study) are higher than the Medicare or Medicaid rate, the charges will be based on the actual cost.

TAX ADMINISTRATION

Real Property Tax Billing & Collection for Cities

Cities will proportionately share the cost of billing and collecting real property tax. Every five years the county will recalculate the cost per bill and charge cities an equitable amount based on the number of bills collected per each city/town.

Vehicle Tax Billing

GS 105-330.5 (b) The County may retain the actual cost of collecting municipal and special district taxes collected pursuant to this section, not to exceed one and one-half (1.5%) of the amount of taxes collected.

Sale of Maps

Recover 75% of the full cost (including labor) of reproducing and mailing maps.

TECHNOLOGY

GIS Fees

To encourage efficiency and recover operational and maintenance costs. In June 1991, the North Carolina General Assembly approved HB 356 that exempts the Catawba County GIS database from the Public Records Act. Under the precepts of the legislation, the County can charge "reasonable costs" for the computerized database and data files. Fees will be reviewed annually and enhanced to add other service as the GIS matures.

GIS Charges to Cities

Participating cities pay a proportionate percentage of the cost of the base map project and selected personnel and operating costs. This proportionate percentage is based on a ratio of the city and its extraterritorial jurisdiction area for each participating municipality to the total county area at the time the bids were awarded.

UTILITIES & ENGINEERING

Building Services Fees

Building Inspection fees are in place to recover 100% of the cost of the Building Services office.

Solid Waste Fees

Catawba County Code section 7-24 sets out the fees to be charged for the Landfill. Landfill fees will generate sufficient revenues to operate the landfill and build reserve for future needs as well as encourage protection and preservation of the environment.