

POCOMOKE CITY, MARYLAND  
**FEES, CHARGES, RATES, FINES, AND PENALTIES SCHEDULE**  
Effective July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

**ANIMAL CONTROL**

Initial fine:	\$50.00
Subsequent violation:	\$100.00

**BOATS AND BOATING & BOAT DOCKING REGULATION FINES**

Initial fine:	\$50.00
Subsequent violation:	\$100.00

**COMMERCIAL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY** - Minimum \$50.00, maximum \$250.00, based on sq. ft.

**PLANNING AND ZONING (fees to be paid in advance) Non-refundable**

Zoning Change

Map or Text Amendment Application

\$650.00 for any zoning map amendment associated with any R-1 or R-2 zoning districts or any zoning text amendments.

\$1000.00 for any zoning map amendment to associated with PRD, R-3, B-1, B-2, M-1, zoning districts, +\$75.00/acre)

Subdivision Plat

\$750.00 minor subdivision (up to 4 lots)  
\$1000.00 + \$100/lot for major subdivisions (over 4 lots)

\$250.00 replats, boundary line adjustments or other surveys

\$35.00 recording of deeds in addition to any filing fees.

Board Of Zoning Appeals BZA

Applications

(Variance, Condition Use, Appeals)

\$400.00 in addition to advertising fee.

Building Permits: Fees must include city permit fees as follows and cost of inspection services:

- a. Single-family residential new construction, additions, attached or detached accessory buildings over 624 square feet.

		.0075 (3/4 x 1%) x total cost of construction and verified by documentation
b.	Multi-family, commercial, industrial new construction, additions or related non-residential structures.	1.0% x total cost of construction and verified by documentation
		Minimum Charge \$75.00
c.	Pools –	Same rates as commercial building permits fee structure.
d.	Accessory Buildings	
	(1) No fee for accessory building under 120 sf not placed on a permanent foundation.	-0-
	(2) At or over 120 sf but less than or equal to 624 sf. not placed on a permanent foundation	\$50.00
	(3) Accessory buildings over 624 sf not placed on a permanent foundation	\$75.00
	(4) Accessory buildings placed on a permanent foundation shall be charged the same fee as for residential or commercial structures.	
e.	<b>ELECTRICAL PERMIT</b>	\$25.00
	<b>ELECTRICAL CODE VIOLATIONS FINE</b> (unless a more specific fine is reflected in this schedule)	\$100.00
f.	<b>PLUMBING PERMIT</b>	\$25.00
	<b>PLUMBING CODE VIOLATIONS FINE</b> (unless a more specific fine reflected herein)	\$100.00

- g. HVAC/Mechanical Permit \$25.00
- h. Failure to complete construction activity within a one-year period \$ Cost of City Permit Fee and \$300.00 fine
- i. Zoning Permits (Other) \$75.00

Site Plan Review (Staff or PZC): Major (over 10,000 square feet): \$ 550.00  
 Plus \$35/acre  
 Minor (10,000 square feet or less): \$400.00 fee  
 Administrative: \$ 75.00  
 Revisions: \$150 (Minor); \$150 + \$35/acre (major)

Annexation: \$2000.00 plus \$100 per acre prorated  
 Payment of Water or Sewer Impact Fee as prescribed by Fee Schedule  
 \$500.00 Advertisement Fee

Zoning Code Violation;  
 1<sup>st</sup> offense-violation notice \$100.00  
 2<sup>nd</sup> violation notice \$200.00  
 3<sup>rd</sup> violation notice \$500.00

**BUILDING/HOUSING CODE VIOLATION**  
 (unless a more specific fine is reflected in this schedule)

1<sup>st</sup> violation notice \$250.00  
 2<sup>nd</sup> violation notice \$500.00

**MOVING OR DEMOLITION FEES**

Moving/Relocating Structure Permit: Structures greater than 400 square feet (any level) or wider than ½ of any roadway to be used within the City: \$100.00.

Insurance or deposit may be required by City Manager upon review of specific details.

Demolition permit \$150.00

No demolition permit fee needed for structures under 624 Sq. Ft. and no disruption of traffic or off-site dumpster is required.

Insurance or deposit may be required by City Manager upon review of specific details.

<b>CIRCUS &amp; EXHIBITION FEES</b>		
	Daily (Circus/Revival Activities)	\$100
	Daily (Exhibition)	\$20
<b>ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE</b>		\$25 per year
<b>EVENTS (NON-CITY SPONSORED)</b>		<b>\$100 + Additional Fees based on costs of services provided by city staff as determined by City Manager</b>
<b>ANNUAL BUSINESS LICENSE</b>		\$60.00 Per year (non-prorated)
	Business License List	\$25.00 each
	Failure to obtain	\$100.00 for every 30 days of non-compliance
<b>HAWKERS &amp; PEDDLERS LICENSES</b>		
	Per day/per person	\$50.00
	Per Year/Per Person	\$150.00
	Parade	\$100.00
	Violation – 1 <sup>st</sup> offense	150% of license fee
	Subsequent offense	200% of license fee
<b>TRANSIENT MERCHANT LICENSE</b>		
	Bond	\$1,000 (waivable or reducible based on insurance or other factors)
	Two-day License	\$250.00
	Fine – each violation	\$350.00
<b>RESTAURANTS-</b>		
<b>GREASE TRAP INSEPCTON</b>		\$250.00 (any inspection)
	Grease trap pump-out and cleaning fee	\$500.00
<b>ADMISSIONS AND AMUSEMENT TAX</b>		5%
<b>SOUND TRUCKS - Per Day</b>		\$50.00
<b>NOISE VIOLATIONS</b>		
	First Offense	\$25.00
	Second Offense	\$75.00
	Subsequent violation	\$150.00
<b>RETURNED CHECK FEE</b>		\$50.00

**GRADING, EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL – Worcester County Rates Apply**

Rates below apply only if City is plan reviewer.

\$200 for each plan reviewed.

\$ 10.00 for every additional 1,000 square feet of disturbed area over 20,000 square feet up to a maximum of \$43 per acre

\$100.00 for refileing of plan

**FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PERMIT AND REVIEW –**

For accessory structures 300 square feet or less or other non-structural permit applications	\$100.00
Other structural related applications.	\$250.00
Appeals to the Board of Zoning Appeals	\$400.00 plus cost of advertising
Violation of ordinance or plan specifications	\$200.00

**LOG CABIN RENTAL**

January 1 – December 31	\$225/day plus \$200.00 deposit, plus insurance
City employee rental	\$150.00/day plus and insurance
Stage/Concession Building	\$200.00/day plus \$200.00 deposit and insurance for-profit or other non-profits
	\$75.00/day - Pocomoke non-profit groups/clubs plus deposit and insurance

**PAVILION RENTAL (Either Building)**

\$50.00 per day plus \$50.00 deposit and insurance for Pocomoke City Residence  
No Charge for Pocomoke City Non-Profit Groups, plus deposit and insurance

**PARKS AND RECREATION - FINES**

First Offense	\$50.00
Subsequent violations	\$100.00

**HORSE STALL RENTALS (incl. track fee)** \$100.00 per month

**TRASH DISPOSAL FEE**

Per household or dwelling unit \$15.00 per month  
(except if unoccupied for 6 consecutive months or more)

**FIRE PREVENTION PERMITS**

Above ground storage of hazardous material \$25.00

**FIRE LANE VIOLATIONS** \$100.00

**OPEN BURNING VIOLATION** \$100.00

**LITTERING**

Except as provided below: First Offense \$25.00  
Subsequent violation \$50.00

Grass, yard waste, clippings, etc. in street

First Offense \$100.00  
Subsequent Offense \$200.00

**GENERAL NUISANCES**

(Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Code)

First Offense \$100.00  
Subsequent violations \$200.00

**RESIDENTIAL POULTRY PERMIT FEE** \$10.00

**SIGNS – PERMIT FEE** 1.0% of total cost, minimum charge \$75.00

**SIGNS-ILLEGAL OR NON-CONFORMING**

(Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Code)

First Offense: \$50.00  
Subsequent violations \$100.00

Includes signs on utility poles or structures

**GRADING AND SEDIMENT CONTROL– Worcester County Rates Apply**

If performed by City \$50.00

**BASIC DOCK FEES**

Seasonal (April 1 – Oct. 31) \$350.00 (plus electric for heat, a/c., etc.)

Monthly Rate \$100.00 (plus electric for heat, a/c etc.)

Daily Rate \$10.00 (First 2 days –then must pay at least one month \$100.00)

Off-Season rate (no live-aboard use) \$250.00  
(Nov 1-March 31)

Holding Tank Pump-out Fee \$10.00

Electric charged according to meter reading

**DRY NIGHTCLUB LICENSE FEE (incl. renewal fee) \$200.00**  
(in addition to annual business license fee)

**FESTIVAL TENT USE POLICY – Non-Profit Users only**

Community Festivals (Cypress, Fair)	No Charge
Other local non-profit groups/churches	\$600.00 If City provides set-up and take-down

**WEEDS/OVERGROWN YARDS, FIELDS:**

If City has weeds or grass cut:	
1 <sup>st</sup> Offense:	\$200.00 plus \$50.00 per acre over one acre
Subsequent offense	\$250.00 plus \$50.00 per acre over one acre

**AMBULANCE SERVICE Rates determined by Medicare Subject to change Jan. 1**

ALS Base Rate (Emergency)	\$525.00
ALS II Base Rate	\$575.00
BLS Base Rate (Emergency)	\$375.00
Mileage (Billed Separately)	\$12.00 Per Loaded Mile

**AMBULANCE MEMBERSHIP PLAN (PER HOUSEHOLD)**

City Resident	\$100.00
Out of City resident in service area	\$200.00
Somerset County	\$300.00

**STREETS AND SIDEWALKS**

Fine or charge not otherwise specified	
First offense	\$50.00
Subsequent violations	\$100.00

Excavation without permit	\$100.00
Right of way excavation fee within Street Or Sidewalk	\$50.00
Failure to remove snow/ice	\$50.00

**WATER FEES AND CHARGES**

Water connection charge per tap	Residential dwelling units (new construction and meter box is installed by contractor) \$3,500.00
Water connection charge per tap	Conversion of an existing building to residential (per unit) with existing meter box \$3,500.00
Water connection charge per tap	Reconnection to vacant lots without a building for over 5 years and no meter pit in place. \$3,500.00

Water connection charges with 1 service connection and master meter

Commercial, industrial and multi-family buildings (up to and including 3,000 sq. ft.) \$5,500.00

Water connection charges with 1 service connection and master meter

Commercial, industrial and multi-family buildings (up to and including >3,000 sq. ft.) \$8,250.00

**STREET OPENING**

Two openings may be required (one for water and One for sewer). These charges will also apply to lots with no buildings or houses with no sewer for 5 years or more.

\$400.00 single family residential or conversion, per unit

\$700.00 multi-family, commercial, industrial

UTILITY COMPANY  
(street to be repaired by utility co. to city standards)

\$200.00 plus \$2 per square foot of disturbed area

**WATER RATES/MONTHLY USAGE:**

0- 2,000 gal.  
Over 2,000 gal.

\$14.12 Minimum  
\$7.06 per 1,000 gal.

**WATER TURN-ON FEE**

Each time: week days 9:00 AM -4:00 PM  
After hours, holidays, weekends

\$50.00  
\$75.00

**WATER** – More than one meter inspection or extra reading per year

\$50.00

**WATER/SEWER BILL LATE FEE**

\$15.00/month

**CREDIT/DEBIT CARD TRANSACTION FEE**

\$3.00 per transaction

**PRIVATE WELLS (WITH PRIOR APPROVAL FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL)**

Initial permit fee  
Annual renewal fee per well

\$1000.00  
\$400.00

**WATER RECONNECT FEE**

(After disconnection and removal of water meter.)  
Meter replacement following damage caused by tampering breaking lock on a locked meter or unauthorized meter box entering or any request by owner for a new meter.

\$200.00

\$200.00 plus costs of meter/meter box replacement or repair

**SEWER FEES AND CHARGES**

New sewer connection or for separation of Meters in existing buildings. (Access Fee) (Per tap or connection).  
This charge will apply to lots without a building for over 5 years that have no lateral sewer connection.

\$3,500.00 single family (new construction) or conversion of existing buildings, plus installation costs by City staff if required.



\$5,500.00 plus installation for commercial, industrial, or multi-family (up to 3,000 square feet)  
For Commercial industrial or multi-family buildings or uses over 3000 square feet: \$8,250

**SEWER RATES/MONTHLY USAGE:**

0 - 3,000	\$23.05 minimum
Over 3,000 gal.	\$8.79/M first 3M, \$7.03/M over 3M

**SEWER LATERAL (SERVICE LINE) REPAIRS**

(When owner is responsible) \$100.00 plus cost of repairs

**SEPTIC PUMP TANK SERVICE CALL (Residential or Commercial) - \$500.00 Flat rate plus expenses incurred such as but not limited to labor, materials, and disposal.**

<b>SEPTIC TRUCK DISPOSAL FEE</b>	\$80/1,000 gal.
	\$100/1001 gal .sludge

**WATER JETTER SERVICE CALL FOR SEWER LINE CLEAN-OUT - \$250.00 Flat rate plus expenses incurred such as but not limited to labor, and material.**

**VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC**

(unless otherwise charged under State Motor Vehicle Law)

Article I - Snow Emergency Plan	\$50.00
---------------------------------	---------

Speed Camera Fines -	\$40.00
----------------------	---------

**NOTE: Any violation of the Pocomoke City Code, where a fine or penalty is not specified herein or on the Pocomoke City Code shall be subject to the general provisions of the § 1-18 of the Pocomoke City Code.**