



# Memorandum

**TO:** FIRE BOARD  
**FROM:** BRADLEY BOWEN, CHIEF  
**SUBJECT:** 2026 FEE SCHEDULE  
**DATE:** FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025  
**CC:**

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## 2026 Western Lakes Fire District Fee Schedule:

The attached District Fee Schedule is a detailed listing of charges for services rendered by the District. These fees are determined based on a comprehensive evaluation of the total costs associated with providing these services. This includes the full burdened costs of labor (wages, retirement, benefits, workers' compensation, etc.), the operational expenses of equipment and apparatus, and the necessary administrative costs required to maintain the readiness and availability of these critical resources. Our rates are calculated using amortized schedules for apparatus (factoring in useful life, equipment, repairs, and maintenance) to ensure they reflect the actual cost of maintaining our emergency response capabilities.

These rates are established as fair and customary for the high-quality, professional services provided. The mitigation rates specified within the schedule are based on average costs for service and represent typical charges for the listed incident responses. However, for larger-scale or prolonged incidents, a claim submitted may be itemized and based on the actual services provided, reflecting a precise accounting of all resources utilized. Our commitment is to transparency and ensuring the fees accurately cover the expense of maintaining a rapid, highly-trained, and fully-equipped emergency response system for our community.

## Community Risk Reduction & Inspection

### Pre-Occupancy & Preliminary Occupancy Reviews – done at no cost

### Fire and Life Safety System Inspections – invoiced monthly by the District

Note: Inspections are required for all systems. Systems shall not be concealed prior to inspection. The initial base rate is \$100.00 for the first hour, and is billed in 15-minute increments at a rate of \$25.00.

- 1) Final Occupancy Inspections. Fire sprinkler system installation inspection.
- 2) Fire sprinkler hydrotest. (Fee includes two inspections).
- 3) Range hood suppression system trip test.
- 4) Range hood and duct integrity inspection.
- 5) Fire Pump Inspection.
- 6) Overhead fire-separation door drop test.
- 7) Fire Alarm system operational, transmittal and location verification testing.

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- 8) Elevator Emergency Fire Operation testing.
- 9) Other Fire and Life Safety system inspections specific to occupancy (CO monitoring, special suppression systems, chemical monitoring, etc.).
- 10) Additional review of same system or plans. Fee applies to all resubmittals.

**Technical and Architectural Plan Review (New Construction and Remodeling)**

- 1) <5,000 sq. ft. \$100
- 2) 5,001 - 10,000 sq. ft. \$125
- 3) 10,001 - 20,000 sq. ft. \$150
- 4) 20,001 - 40,000 sq. ft. \$200
- 5) 40,001 - 80,000 sq. ft. \$250
- 6) 80,001 - 120,000 sq. ft. \$300
- 7) 120,001 - 150,000 sq. ft. \$350
- 8) 150,001 - 200,000 sq. ft. \$400
- 9) >200,001 = \$350 +.005 sq. ft. for each sq. ft. over 200,000 sq. ft.

**Technical Site Plan (only) Reviews**

Note: The initial base rate is \$100.00 for the first hour, and billed in 15-minute increments at a rate of \$25.00.

**Fire and Life Safety System Plan Reviews**

- 1) Fire Alarm System: \$150
- 2) Range hood fire suppression systems: \$150
- 3) Special systems: \$150

**Fire Sprinkler Plan Review**

- 1) Basic Fire Sprinkler plan review: \$250
- 2) Sprinkler heads (per head): \$1.00
- 3) Witness 2-hour hydrostatic test: \$75

**Fire Inspection Fees – 01/01/2026**

**(1) FEES FOR HIGH LIFE SAFETY BUILDINGS:** As defined in IFC 202(B) “Occupancy Type and Hazard Classifications”: “E” (Educational), “H-1”, “H-2”, “H-3”, “H-4” (High Hazard). “R-1”, “R-2”, “R-3”, “R-4” (Residential High Hazard) and “I-1”, “I-2”, “I-4” (Institutional).

<b>SQUARE FOOTAGE</b>	<b>FEE</b>
Under 2,500 square feet	<b>\$ 210.00</b>
2,501 to 5,000 square feet	<b>\$ 310.00</b>
5,001 to 25,000 square feet	<b>\$ 445.00</b>
25,001 to 50,000 square feet	<b>\$ 730.00</b>
50,001 to 75,000 square feet	<b>\$ 990.00</b>
75,001 to 100,000 square feet	<b>\$ 1,150.00</b>
100,001 to 125,000 square feet	<b>\$ 1,355.00</b>

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125,001 to 150,000 square feet	<b>\$ 1,565.00</b>
More than 150,000 square feet	<b>\$ 1,565.00</b> plus \$110 each additional 50,000 sq. ft. over 150,000

**(2) FEES FOR ALL OTHER BUILDINGS:** As defined in IFC 202(B) "Occupancy Type and Hazard Classifications": "B" (Business), "F-1", "F-2" (Factory), "A-1", "A-2", "A-3", "A-4", (Assembly), "S-1", "S-2" (Storage), "M" (Mercantile) and "U" (Miscellaneous Group)

<b>SQUARE FOOTAGE</b>	<b>FEE</b>
Under 2,500 square feet	<b>\$ 105.00</b>
2,501 to 5,000 square feet	<b>\$ 155.00</b>
5,001 to 10,000 square feet	<b>\$ 235.00</b>
10,001 to 25,000 square feet	<b>\$ 315.00</b>
25,001 to 50,000-square feet	<b>\$ 470.00</b>
50,001 to 75,000 square feet	<b>\$ 625.00</b>
75,001 to 100,000 square feet	<b>\$ 730.00</b>
100,001 to 125,000 square feet	<b>\$ 9,40.00</b>
125,001 to 150,000 square feet	<b>\$ 1,150.00</b>
More than 150,000 square feet	<b>\$1,150.00</b> plus \$55 each additional 50,000 sq. ft. over 150,000

<b>TYPE OF UNIT</b>	<b>FEE</b>
Residential Multi-Family Unit, Apts, Exterior inspection only	<b>\$ 10.00</b> per unit
Residential Multi-Family Unit, Apts, Elderly Housing, Assisted Living, Nursing Homes, Treatment Centers	<b>\$ 13.00</b> per unit
Motels/Hotels	<b>\$ 13.00</b> per room
Storage bldgs w/o common area	<b>\$ 65.00</b>
Agriculture – stables, arenas, farms	<b>\$ 350.00</b>
CBRF's, Group homes	<b>\$ 375.00</b>

### Special Events and Dedicated Resource Standby

**Incident Command/Event Coordinator** **\$100/hour**

Includes a Chief Officer to coordinate multiple resources during extended events. May also include work coordinating extended events and managing resources during events as the Incident Commander.

**Fire Apparatus Standby** **\$250/hour**

Includes four firefighters and dedication of one fire engine for standby.

**Small Fire Apparatus Standby** **\$125/hour**

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Includes two firefighters and dedication of one ATV with fire pump or one pickup truck with fire pump for standby.

**EMS Apparatus Standby**

**\$150/hour**

Includes two Emergency Medical Technicians and dedication of one ambulance for standby.

**EMT Standby**

**\$75/hour**

Includes one Emergency Medical Technician with first aid equipment for standby.

*\* Fees may be waived or reduced for Fire District participation in municipal or not-for-profit/fundraising events when approved by the Fire Chief.*

**Fire and Highway Billing**

**Motor Vehicle Accidents**

- Level 1 – \$590.00
  - Provide hazardous materials assessment and scene stabilization. This includes safety blocking, assessment of occupants for injuries and assessment of vehicles for hazards and stabilization. This occurs at almost every response to an accident/incident.
- Level 2 – \$730.00
  - This includes level 1 services as well as clean up and materials used (sorbents) for hazardous fluid cleanup and disposal. This level is billed any time the District has to cleanup any gasoline, or automotive fluids that are spilled as a result of the accident/incident.
    - Add-On Services
      - Sorbents after initial 5 gallons - \$60.00 per 5 gallons
- Level 3 - \$1,875.00
  - Vehicle Fire – this includes level 1 services as well as fire suppression, breathing air, rescue tools, hand tools, hose, nozzles, structure protection, and clean up of gasoline or other automotive fluids that are spilled as a result of the accident/incident.
  - Extrication – this includes level 1 services as well as heavy rescue tools, airbags, cribbing, hand tools, etc. This charge will be added if the District has to free/remove anyone from the vehicle(s) using any equipment. We will not bill at this level if the patient simply is unable to get out on their own and the District is able to open the door to access the patient. This level is only billed if equipment is deployed.

**HazMat**

- Level 1 - \$1,000.00
  - Basic Response: claim will include engine/truck response, fire responder assignment, perimeter establishment, evacuations, set-up, and command.
- Level 2 – itemized invoicing

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- Specialized HazMat Team Response: claim will include basic response cost, plus itemized invoice to include response of hazmat certified team and appropriate equipment. Claim will also include any costs included to identify, recover, and dispose of hazardous materials.

**Miscellaneous/Additional Time – Add-On Services**

- Sorbents - \$60.00 per 5 gallons
- Foam - \$200.00 per 5 gallons
- Fire Suppression Tool (FST) - \$650.00 each
- Miscellaneous equipment/supplies - \$255.00
- Additional time on-scene
  - Engine - \$500.00 per hour
  - Truck/Ladder/Squad - \$600.00 per hour

**Emergency Medical Services**

<b>Bundled Billing Charges</b>	<b>WLFD 2026 Rates</b>
BLS - Resident	<b>\$1,950.00</b>
BLS - Non Resident	<b>\$2,250.00</b>
ALS 1 - Resident	<b>\$2,250.00</b>
ALS 1 - Non Resident	<b>\$2,470.00</b>
ALS 2 - Resident	<b>\$2,470.00</b>
ALS 2 - Non Resident	<b>\$2,575.00</b>
Critical Care (SST) – Resident	<b>\$2,685.00</b>
Critical Care (SST) – Non Resident	<b>\$2,850.00</b>
Mileage - Resident	<b>\$23.75</b>
Mileage - Non Resident	<b>\$26.75</b>
BLS Scene Care	<b>\$350.00</b>
BLS Scene Care – Non Resident	<b>\$450.00</b>
ALS Scene Care – Resident	<b>\$450.00</b>
ALS Scene Care – Non Resident	<b>\$550.00</b>
Intercept - Resident	<b>\$450.00</b>
Intercept – Non Resident	<b>\$550.00</b>

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