

**Regulation 7.2**  
**Schedule of Wiring Inspection Fees****7.2.1 Permits and Inspections**

Permits and inspections will normally be of three types:

- (a) Regular Permits and Inspections
- (b) Annual Permits and Inspections
- (c) Special Permits and Inspections

**7.2.1 (a) Regular Permits and Inspections**

All persons, firms or corporations within Nova Scotia Power's inspection authority who are eligible to install electrical installations for the use of electrical energy shall, before commencing or doing any electrical installation of new equipment, or repairs, or altering or adding to any electrical installation or equipment already installed, submit and obtain approval in a manner prescribed by the inspection authority.

Individual permits shall be required for temporary and individual miscellaneous services and each dwelling unit of a single, duplex or row type housing, etc., whether supplied via an individual or multi-position metering devices.

Apartment type buildings, multi-tenant industrial and commercial installations shall be performed under one permit.

Permits are not transferable.

Permits shall be issued only to the firm or persons performing the work described on the Permit and in compliance with Section 4, "Permit" of the regulations made by the Fire Marshall pursuant to the *Electrical Installation and Inspection Act*.

Permit holders shall immediately notify the Electrical Inspection Authority upon the completion of an electrical installation requesting a FINAL inspection.

The fee for a Regular Permit and Inspection will be based on the Installed Value, including labour, material and sundries of the electrical installation, alteration, upgrade, repair or extension.

When a dispute arises regarding the cost of an electrical installation the permit applicant may be required, at the Inspection Authority discretion, to supply a letter from the owner indicating the value of the contract and/or a bill of materials for the project.

The fees for a Regular Permit and Inspection, including the number of Inspection Visits, shall be based on the Installed Value of the installation as shown in the Inspection Fee Schedule.

**7.2.1 (b) Annual Permits and Inspections**

An annual maintenance permit shall be issued for an establishment to cover all minor repairs as required under sections 4(a) (B), (2) and (3) of the regulations made by the Fire Marshal pursuant to the *Electrical Installation and Inspection Act*.

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Such a permit does not entitle the holder to effect major electrical alterations or additions.

The number of inspection visits shall be at the discretion of the Inspection Authority. Notwithstanding the above, at least one inspection visit shall be made in the year for which the permit is issued.

**7.2.1 (c) Special Permits and Inspections**

Where the fee for a Regular Permit and Inspection are inappropriate the special permit and inspection fee shall apply. (Ex. carnivals and travelling shows).

**7.2.2 Late Application Fee**

Where an electrical contractor fails to obtain an electrical wiring permit prior to commencing the electrical work, an additional fee shall be payable in the amount of fifty (50) percent of the regular fee, up to a maximum additional fee of \$100.00.

**7.2.3 Payment of Fees**

Fees for permits and inspections shall be paid at the time of requesting the permit unless otherwise indicated by the inspection authority. Permits having fees in arrears in excess of 120 days shall be subject to cancellation and at the discretion of the inspection authority. No additional permits shall be issued to the holder of the unpaid permits until such time the outstanding fees have been adequately dealt with. Interest on overdue accounts will be charged at 1.5% per month or part thereof, or a maximum of 19.56% per annum.

**7.2.4 Refund of Fees**

The holder of a permit may apply to the inspection authority for a refund less a \$10.00 non-refundable portion of the permit fee with respect to a cancelled or unused permit. No refund shall be issued for a permit where an inspection call has been made at the request of the permit holder.

**7.2.5 Expiry of Permits**

A permit for electrical work is valid for 12 months from the date of issue in respect of residential and 24 months in respect of all others unless otherwise noted on the permit. Upon expiry, a renewal fee to a maximum of 50% of the cost of the original permit shall be charged.

**7.2.6 Review of Plans and Specifications**

The Inspection Authority may, prior to issuing a permit, request the submission of plans and specifications for any proposed electrical installation. Plans shall be submitted for all commercial, industrial institutional installations exceeding 250 volts or 250 amperes.

**7.2.7 Inspection Fee Schedule****7.2.7 (a) Regular Permits and Inspection**

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The fee for a regular permit and the maximum number of inspection visits, with respect to an installation will be calculated, as follows.

**7.27 (b) Annual Permit and Inspection**

The fee for an annual permit and inspection for any one establishment shall be the appropriate hourly rate.

**7.27 (c) Special Permit and Inspection**

The fee for a special permit and inspection for any one project shall be the appropriate hourly rate.

**7.27 (d) Plans Examination**

The fees for the examination of electrical plans and specifications shall be per review:

	2026	2027
0 – 1,000 amps	\$137.00	\$141.00
Greater than 1,000 amps	\$137.00	\$141.00

**7.27 (e) Primary Services**

	2026	2027
The fees for the inspection of a primary service (padmount, vault, etc.) shall be per installation.	\$125.00	\$125.00

**7.27 (f) Letter of Acceptance**

	2026	2027
The fee for a Letter of Acceptance shall be	\$77.00	\$77.00

**INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE**

INSTALLED VALUE OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION	INSPECTION VISITS	PERMIT FEE	2026	2027
\$ 0,000 to \$ 2,000	1		\$136.00	\$140.00
\$ 2,001 to \$ 4,000	2		\$272.00	\$281.00
\$ 4,001 to \$ 6,000	2		\$454.00	\$468.00
\$ 6,001 to \$ 8,000	2		\$545.00	\$561.00
\$ 8,001 to \$ 10,000	2		\$635.00	\$655.00
\$ 10,001 to \$ 15,000	3		\$1,089.00	\$1,122.00
\$ 15,001 to \$ 25,000	3		\$1,498.00	\$1,543.00
\$ 25,001 to \$ 50,000	3		\$1,906.00	\$1,964.00

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INSTALLED VALUE OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION	INSPECTION VISITS	PERMIT FEE	2026	2027
\$ 50,001 to \$ 100,000	3		\$2,315.00	\$2,384.00
\$100,001 to \$ 300,000	4		\$3,631.00	\$3,740.00
\$300,001 to \$ 500,000	5		\$4,539.00	\$4,675.00
\$500,001 to \$750,000	6		\$5,447.00	\$5,610.00
\$750,001 to \$1,000,000	8		\$7,262.00	\$7,480.00
+ \$1,000,000	10		\$9,078.00	\$9,350.00
		+ 0.15% of cost in excess of \$1,000,000		

**New Installations** are subject to the following minimum inspection fees:

	2026	2027
RESIDENTIAL-ALL INSTALLATIONS	\$272.00	\$281.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTIONAL		
Up to 100 AMPS	\$272.00	\$281.00
Over 100 to 400 AMPS	\$635.00	\$655.00
Over 400 to 800 AMPS	\$1,089.00	\$1,122.00
Over 800 to 1000 AMPS	\$1,498.00	\$1,543.00
Over 1000 AMPS	\$1,906.00	\$1,964.00

**7.27 (g) Hourly Rate Inspections**

Note: All fees are per inspection visit.

<b>Normal Working Hours:</b>	2026	2027
(i) For the first hour or fraction thereof	\$182.00	\$187.00
(ii) For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof	\$91.00	\$94.00
<b>Outside Normal Working Hours:</b>	2026	2027
Extension of a regular work day (before or after)		
(i) For the first hour or fraction thereof	\$182.00	\$188.00
(ii) For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof	\$91.00	\$94.00
<b>Weekends and Statutory Holidays:</b>		
(i) For the first hour or fraction thereof	\$494.00	\$509.00
(ii) For each additional half-hour or fraction thereof	\$91.00	\$94.00

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**7.27 (h) Inspections in Excess of Maximum Number of Visits**

For an inspection visit, in excess of the maximum number of visits permitted under the Regular Permit and Inspection Fee the Special Permit and Inspection Fee shall apply.

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