



Fees & Charges

Effective 4/1/2023

Alarm Checks	=	First 2 or free 3, 4, 5 are \$25 each 6, 7, 8, 9 \$50 each After 10 each is \$100 This resets each calendar year
Beach Bonfire	=	\$ 25.00 <= 25 people
	=	\$50.00 > 25 people
Boat Dock/Canalfront Park		
City Dock	=	\$3/linear foot each 24 hour period. Max stay is 7 days at one time. 200 feet dock.
Canalfront Park	=	19 slips with 13 (4 large & 9 small) rented seasonally and 6 (2 large & 4 small) reserved for transients. Free 2 hour short-term stays for boats 25 feet or less are available. \$ 3/linear foot each 24-hour period. Max stay is 7 days at one time.
	=	Large seasonal slip is \$3,900
	=	Small seasonal slip is \$3,000
Building Fees:		
<i>Annexation (All applicants responsible for notifying property owners and providing City with proof of such.)</i>		
Residential		
< 1 acre	=	\$ 350.00
1 to 5 acres	=	\$ 2,500.00
> 5 acres	=	\$ 2,500.00 plus \$ 100.00 per acre over 5 acres
Commercial	=	\$ 2,500.00 plus \$ 500.00 per acre
Board of Adjustment	=	\$ 1,250.00
<i>(All applicants are responsible for notifying property owners and providing City with proof of such action.)</i>		
Demolition		
Accessory buildings with no utilities	=	\$ 50.00
Accessory buildings with utilities	=	\$ 100.00
Main building	=	\$ 250.00 with bond or letter of credit at 20% demolition cost
Dumpster Fee	=	\$150.00

Building Fees: (Continued)

Inspection Fees – re-inspect for the same issue	=	\$ 50.00 per re-inspection
Major subdivision <i>(All applicants are responsible for notifying property owners and providing City with proof of such action.)</i>		
Residential		
Less than 3 units	=	\$ 1,500.00
With 3 or more units	=	\$ 1,500.00 plus \$250.00 per dwelling unit over 3
Non-residential	=	\$ 1,500.00 plus \$ 250.00 per 5,000 sq ft of non-residential land
Minor subdivision <i>(All applicants are responsible for notifying property owners and providing City with proof of such action.)</i>		
Residential		
Less than 3 units	=	\$ 500.00
With 3 or more units	=	\$ 500.00 plus \$250.00 per dwelling unit over 3
Non-residential	=	\$ 500.00 plus \$250.00 per 5,000 sq ft of non-residential land
Moving		
1 story with less than 750 sq ft	=	\$ 500.00 with \$20,000 bond
Bigger than 1 story with more than 750 sq ft	=	\$ 1,000.00 with \$20,000 bond
New Construction and Renovation Permit <i>(added 3/21/2022)</i>		
Residential and Commercial	=	1.50% of actual construction costs* \$25 minimum permit fee
<i>*Based on actual construction costs (defined as the total cost and/or all-in contract price of a new construction project or to complete a renovation project for which a building permit is being obtained), but in an amount not less than the cost computed using the newest version of the International Code Council's Building Valuation Data square foot construction cost standard (R-3, VB), if applicable.</i>		
Review Fees for new construction, additions & major renovations		
Residential		
<= 2,000 sq ft	=	\$ 150.00
>= 2,001 sq ft	=	\$ 250.00
Review Fees for new construction, additions & major renovations <i>(continued)</i>		
Commercial and/or 3+ residential units		
<= 2,000 sq ft	=	\$ 300.00
>= 2,001 sq ft	=	\$ 500.00
Review Fee for fire suppression system		
Residential	=	\$150.00 <i>(effective 2/15/2022)</i>
Site Development - JSDRC Review Fee		
Residential		
	=	\$1,500 plus \$250 per proposed dwelling unit over 3
Non-residential	=	\$1,500 plus \$250 per 5,000 sq ft of nonresidential land

Building Fees: (Continued)

Site Development - Administrative Review

Residential	=	\$500 plus \$250 per proposed dwelling unit over 3
Non-residential	=	\$500 plus \$250 per 5,000 sq ft of nonresidential land
Street break		
Bond	=	\$2,500.00 (effective 7/12/2021)
Fee	=	3% of construction cost (effective 7/12/2021)
Zone Change (All applicants are responsible for notifying property owners and providing City with proof of such action.)		
Residential	=	\$ 1,500.00 plus \$250.00 per dwelling unit over 3
Non-residential	=	\$ 1,500.00 plus \$250.00 per 5,000 sq ft of non-residential land

Business Licenses: License year is January - December
50% of fee applicable if obtaining a new license in October, November, or December

- §128-3 **PC-Provide Commodities**
- §128-3.1 **RS-Retail Space**
- §128-4 **PF-Provide Facilities**
- §128-5 **PS-Provide Services**
- §128-6 **PRF-Provide Rental Facilities**
- §128-7 **SHP-Solicitors/Hawkers/Peddlers**
- §128-8 **MAN-Manufacturing**

Arcade (PF)	=	\$ 600.00 plus \$ 100.00 per machine/game >3
Auctioneer (PS)	=	\$ 83.00
Bank/Finance Co./Bldg & Loan (PF)	=	\$ 440.00
Barber Shop (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Beauty Parlor (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Commercial Parking Lot (PF)	=	\$ 83.00
Conjuration (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Contractors (include owner) (PS)		
1 to 5 employees	=	\$ 150.00
6 + employees	=	\$ 360.00
Crystal Balls (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Dealing with Spirits (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Divining (PS)	=	\$ 110.00

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Dry cleaning (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Employment Agency (PS)	=	\$ 165.00
Financial Services-financial advisor, mortgage brokerage, pay day lender, savings & loan, stock broker, wealth management	=	\$ 440.00
Food Service (PS)	=	\$ 165.00
Fortune Teller (PS)	=	\$ 100.00
Hotel/Motel/B&B/Boarding House (PRF)	=	\$ 83 plus \$ 22/room over 4 rooms
Insurance Agent (PS)	=	\$ 165.00
Insurance Broker	=	\$ 165.00
Magazine solicitors (local students exempt) (SHP)	=	\$ 165.00
Manufacturing (MAN)	=	\$ 220.00
Marine-boat yard, charter fishing boats, excursion boats, head boats, pirate ship, kayak rental& sales, water taxi, whale & dolphin watching boats	=	\$ 75
Massage Parlor §125-9	=	\$ 110.00 (changed 1/1/15)
Medical Professional (PS)	=	\$ 165.00
Nursing Home/Convalescent Home (PRF)	=	\$ 8.00 per room
Palm reading (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Person/Firm/Corp not within City limits who supplies commodities to Lewes residents (PS)	=	\$ 75.00
Photographers working on the street soliciting (SHP)	=	\$ 165.00
Phrenology (PS)	=	\$ 110.00
Printing/Newspaper publishing (PS)	=	\$ 165.00
Real estate - each agent (PS)	=	\$ 165.00
Real estate – brokerage office	=	\$ 165.00

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Rentals

~~Cabin/Trailer Rental (PRF) = \$ 83.00~~ *Removed 11/14/2022*

Commercial Rental(PF) = \$ 83.00 *(A)

~~Residential Rental apt/home (PRF) = \$ 83.00 *(A)~~ *Removed 11/14/2022*

Restaurant/Eating Establishment (PRF) = \$ 83.00 (A)

**Bed and breakfasts, boarding houses, cabins, camp grounds, cottages, hotels, motels, rooming houses, rooms to let, not subject to the State Accommodations Tax pay fee above plus \$22 for each room over four (4) rooms.*

(A) If a residential rental, subject to the GRRT, and a commercial rental are in the same building, a rental license will be issued for the residential rental and a commercial rental license will be issued at no charge.

Restaurants (PC) = \$ 193.00 do not serve alcohol
\$ 385.00 do serve alcohol

Retail Business (RS) = 1-2,500 sq ft \$138.00
2,501-5,000 sq ft \$275.00
5,001-50,000 sq ft \$275.00 plus
\$55/1,000 sq ft =>5,001 sq ft
>50,001 sq ft \$275.00 plus
\$55/1,000 sq ft up to 50,000
sq ft plus \$100/1,000 sq ft
=>50,001 sq ft

Service business (PS)

Personal not otherwise mentioned = \$ 110.00

Professional not otherwise mentioned = \$ 165.00

Sidewalk Café 5/1 – 4/30 = \$ 100.00 per table

Solicitors/Hawkers/Peddlers (SHP) = \$ 165.00

Taxi/Jitney/Horse drawn vehicle (PS) = \$ 50.00 for 1st vehicle and
\$ 33.00 for each add'l vehicle

Vending machines (PF) = \$ 17.00 per machine

Witchcraft (PS) = \$ 110.00

Bulk Trash Collection Fee = \$50.00 per scheduled collection

Copies (Freedom of Information Act) = No charge if 20 pages or fewer on
8.5" x 11" or 8.5" x 14" sized paper
= \$.10 per side for copies over and
above 20 pages on 8.5" x 11" or 8.5"
x 14" sized paper
= Oversized copies are costs incurred

Copy of Zoning Ordinance = \$ 40.00

Copy of Subdivision Ordinance = \$ 25.00

Delinquent Taxes	=	1 ½% per month of unpaid balance
Encroachment		
Legal review	=	\$350.00 paid in advance <i>(effective 9/13/2021)</i>
Annual fee	=	Determined per license <i>(effective 9/13/2021)</i>
Event - to include races held in city limits & at City parks	=	\$ 50.00/event <i>501 c3 organizations are exempt if have City of Lewes address</i>
Gross Receipt Rental Tax	=	5% of gross rental receipts Due February 1 st of following calendar year Penalty of 1 ½% per month paid after 2/1.
Lease renewals on 99 year leases	=	\$350.00 paid in advance
Rentals – Annual	=	Various
Meters:		
At public beaches <i>(In use from 9 am to 8 pm 5/1 – 9/30)</i>	=	\$ 2.50 per hour <i>(changed 3/21/2022)</i>
In Town <i>(In use from 9 am to 8 pm 5/1 – 10/14)</i> <i>(3 hour Parking is in use from 9 am to 8 pm 10/15 – 4/30)</i>	=	\$ 1.50 per hour <i>(changed 3/21/2022)</i>
*There is a 2-hour minimum charge if paying with a credit card or the Parkmobile app.		
Transaction fee		
Paying with a credit card or Parkmobile app	=	\$0.50 per transaction
Parking Violations:		
		<i>Year round there is a 3-hour parking limit, except for spaces at Savannah Beach, Johnnie Walker Beach, and 30-minute meters.</i>
Expired meter		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00
Backed into parking space		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00
Limited parking time		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00
Blocking driveway		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00

Parking Violations:

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Double parking		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00

Stopping/Standing of vehicle		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00

Parking in NO Parking Zone		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$ 30.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 50.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$ 75.00

Boat Trailer/RV/Commercial		
Paid within 7 days of issuance	=	\$150.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$170.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$195.00

Handicapped parking violation		
Paid within 7 days	=	\$100.00
Paid after 7 days but within 30 days of issuance	=	\$120.00
Paid after 30 days of issuance	=	\$145.00

Property Taxes		
PT/LR	=	\$.57/\$100 of ½ assessed value Due June 30 th .

Races & Parades held in city limits	=	\$ 50.00 per race <i>*Must provide liability insurance</i>
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Recreation Permit	=	\$100 for the season
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Residential Rental:

License Fee per rental unit—Effective 1/1/2023 since adoption of Rental Ordinance §150 on 11/14/2022

Annual License Fee Short-term Rental	=	\$200.00
Annual License Fee Long-term Rental	=	\$200.00

***License Violations—Effective 1/1/2023 since adoption of Rental Ordinance §150 on 11/14/2022**

First Violation Notice	=	Written Warning
Second Violation Notice	=	\$250.00
Third Violation Notice	=	\$500.00 and suspension of rental license for 12 months from date of violation

Residential Rental: (Continued)

***Operational Violations—Effective 1/1/2023 since adoption of Rental Ordinance §150 on 11/14/2022**

First Violation Notice	=	Written Warning
Second Violation Notice	=	\$250.00
Third Violation Notice	=	\$500.00 and suspension of rental license for 12 months from date of violation

**Note: For violations not paid within 30 days of issuance, the fine amount will be doubled.*

Returned Check Fee	=	\$ 50.00
Traffic control by the Lewes Police Dept.	=	\$ 65.00 per hour with a minimum of 3 hours
Wedding/Civil Union at a City Park or Beach	=	\$200.00
	=	\$400.00 ceremony at Canalfront Pk
Zoning Map	=	City cost