



Inspection Service	Fee
Commercial establishments per building, except as listed below	\$ 260.00
Schools (K-12, including public, private, and charter) and Government buildings	No fee
Sexually-Oriented Businesses and Game Rooms	\$ 360.00
Special Event or Mass Gathering including festival, carnival, and/or Fireworks 1.3G display	\$ 260.00
Special Event or Mass Gathering Fireworks 1.4G display only	\$ 50.00
<b>State-Licensed Facilities</b>	
• Foster family home or Day Care home	\$ 50.00
• Other 24-hour residential care facility	\$ 125.00
• Any other State-licensed facility not listed above	\$ 260.00
Certificate of Inspection <i>or</i> Certificate of Compliance, duplicate or replacement only	\$ 50.00
Certificate of Maximum Approved Occupant Load, duplicate or replacement only	\$ 50.00
Complaint inspections and compliance re-inspections—will be invoiced to property owner	\$ 200.00
Expediting fee, <i>after hours or with less than 72 hours' notice, does not include inspection fee</i>	\$ 300.00
All other inspection services, including occupant load calculations or plans review	\$ 50.00/hr

**INTENT OF INSPECTIONS OF EXISTING BUILDINGS**

- The intent of the HCFMO inspection process for existing buildings is to reduce the risk of fire by correcting fire and life safety hazards.
- Fire and life safety inspections ARE REQUIRED for all licensed facilities, special events, fireworks stands, and other temporary vendors.

**AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT FEES**

- In the unincorporated areas of Harris County, Texas Local Government Code §§352.016 and other statutes authorize Commissioners Court to establish and collect fees for fire and life safety inspections.
- An inspection fee is due at time of application for all inspections except complaint inspections.
- A compliance re-inspection fee WILL BE CHARGED if required corrections are not completed as required.

➔ Fees are NON-REFUNDABLE once application is made.

**APPLICABLE STANDARDS**

- The inspection standards for NEW CONSTRUCTION of commercial establishments, industrial facilities, and public buildings are the provisions of the Harris County Fire Code – IFC 2012, including cited references.
- The inspection standard for EXISTING commercial establishments, industrial facilities, and public buildings are the provisions, including cited references, for existing buildings found in:
  - Harris County FPS 11—2015 Edition
  - NFPA 101® Life Safety Code—2015 Edition
  - Other applicable statutes, regulations, codes, and standards
- The inspection standard for **foster family homes** is the current Texas State Fire Marshal's inspection form.
- The inspection standard for **foster group homes or other board and care homes** is NFPA 101® Life Safety Code—2015, Chapter 33, Residential Board and Care Occupancies.
- The performance standard for industrial fire brigades is NFPA 1081-2012, *Standard for Industrial Fire Brigade Member Professional Qualifications*

- If you have any questions, or want to report a fire or life safety hazard for any location in **unincorporated Harris County**:
1. Send an e-mail to [fmosupport@fmo.hctx.net](mailto:fmosupport@fmo.hctx.net),
  2. Visit our web site at [www.hcfmo.net](http://www.hcfmo.net) and click on the "Report a Fire Hazard" link, or
  3. Call our office at **281-436-8000**

If you have any questions or concerns about a location in **the City of Houston**, please call the City of Houston Fire Marshal at **713-865-7100**