



# STORMWATER PERMIT FEE CHANGES - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

## WHAT IS THE PURPOSE A STORMWATER PERMIT FEE?

The purpose of the non-refundable application fee is to offset the costs incurred by the Town of Dedham to review, approve, and monitor the compliance of the applicant per the requirements outlined within each permit.



## WHAT VOTE WAS TAKEN AT FALL TOWN MEETING ON NOVEMBER 30, 2020?

An article was included in the 2020 Fall Town Meeting to remove sections B, C, and D of Dedham Code 246-11: Stormwater Management Fee Schedule and the Dedham Conservation proposed adding an amendment to the existing Stormwater Rules and Regulations. The article passed at Town Meeting with a majority vote.

## WHEN WILL THE BYLAW CHANGE GO INTO EFFECT?

The bylaw change and amendment will go into effect on **June 1, 2021**. As of this date, all new applications will be required to follow the new fee schedule, as outlined on page 2.



## WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BYLAW?

The Stormwater Management Bylaw is administered by the Conservation Commission, or its designee. This bylaw is applicable to any alteration, disturbance, development, or redevelopment of 500 sf or more. This bylaw helps to protect natural resources through various measures designed to control stormwater runoff from both construction projects and after projects are complete.



## **CAN THE PUBLIC SUBMIT QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CHANGE?**

Yes, comments and questions regarding this change can be submitted to Elissa Brown, Dedham Conservation Agent, via email at [ebrown@dedham-ma.gov](mailto:ebrown@dedham-ma.gov). The Conservation Commission held a public meeting to discuss this change on April 15, 2021 and answered questions submitted by the public.

## **WHO WILL BE IMPACTED BY THIS CHANGE?**

This bylaw change and amendment to the Stormwater Regulations will impact all applicants who require a Stormwater Management Permit in accordance with Chapter 246: Stormwater Management, in the Dedham Town Code. The updated fee structure is listed below in the following question.

## **WHAT IS THE NEW FEE STRUCTURE FOR PERMITS?**

The Dedham Conservation Commission has developed the following fee structure for Stormwater Management Permit applicants based on property size (measured in square feet):

- Minor Stormwater Management Permit: \$100
- Major Stormwater Management Permit:
  - a) New Single-Family Homes and Residential Additions more than 2,000 sf: \$300
  - b) Multi Family Development: \$300/residential unit
  - c) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing <5,000 sf of Disturbance: \$500
  - d) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing >5,000 sf of Disturbance but <1 acre: \$1,000
  - e) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing > 1acre of Disturbance: \$1,000/acre plus an additional \$1,000 for any fractional additional portion
- Request for Certificate of Compliance:
  - a) New Single-Family Homes and Residential Additions >2,000 sf: \$50
  - b) Multi-Family Development:
    - i. Partial: \$50/residential unit
    - ii. Final: \$100
  - c) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing <5,000 sf of Disturbance: \$100
  - d) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing >5,000 sf of Disturbance but <1 acre: \$250
  - e) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing > 1acre of Disturbance: \$500
- Permit Extension Request:
  - a) New Single Family Homes and Residential Additions > 2,000 sf: \$50
  - b) Multi-family Residential: \$100
  - c) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing <1 acre: \$100
  - d) Commercial, Institutional, Manufacturing >1 acre: \$300