

CITY OF CHARLESTON, SC
Construction Permit and Right-of-Way Obstruction Fees

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Effective August 16, 2021

APPLICABILITY

The following is a description of fees charged for permits issued by and for various services performed by the City of Charleston Traffic and Transportation Department. Fees herein are only applicable for Traffic and Transportation. Other fees may apply, but not limited to, the following: Fire Marshall Division, City of Charleston Business License; South Carolina Contractor's License; City Engineering Services; and Building Inspection Division.

DEFINITIONS

Right-of-Way obstructions are temporary or permanent obstructions occurring in a public street or sidewalk. Below are definitions

Full Street	The obstruction of a public street (curb to curb or EOP to EOP) such that no access is provided to the existing street for general vehicular traffic.
Street Lane - Partial Closure	The obstruction along a street travel lane such that limited access is provided to the existing street for general vehicular traffic.
Parking Space	The obstruction along on-street parking such that limited access is provided to the space for general vehicular traffic.
Sidewalk – Full Closure	The obstruction of a sidewalk such that no access is provided to the existing sidewalk for general pedestrian traffic.
Sidewalk – Auxiliary (AUX)	The obstruction of a sidewalk such that no access is provided to the existing sidewalk for general pedestrian traffic, but supplementary or alternative means such as cargo containers, scaffolding and temporarily constructed boardwalks/paths are provided to facilitate continued pedestrian movement through or adjacent to the obstructed sidewalk.
Sidewalk – Partial Closure	The obstruction of a sidewalk such that limited, ADA- and PROWAG-compliant access is provided to the existing sidewalk utilizing means such as barricades and traffic cones.
Major Street	Interstates, State and County Highways, primary collector streets as defined in the City's GIS system and by SCDOT.
Minor Street	Neighborhood streets as defined in the City's GIS system and by SCDOT.

FEE CALCULATIONS

Right-of-Way obstructions will be calculated using the following:

1. The review fee amount shall be the highest applicable individual review fee per request.
2. The inspection fee amount shall be the highest applicable individual inspection fee amount per obstructed right-of-way frontage.
3. An additional \$18.00 per day fee per metered space will be applied to any permit that obstructs a parking metered space.
4. An additional \$10.00 per day fee will be applied to any permit involving dumpsters or moving vehicles.

This fee structure would not apply to utilities that have an active franchise agreement with the City of Charleston. **Refunds** must be applied for before the permit expires and will only be given for future days and the original permit must be returned.

FEE SCHEDULE AS OF AUGUST 16, 2021

Review Type		Review Fee	Daily Inspection Fee	Daily fee per metered space
FULL STREET CLOSURE	Full Streets - Major	\$401.00	\$35.00	\$18.00
	Full Streets - Minor	\$167.00	\$17.50	\$18.00

Review Type		Review Fee (per lane)	Daily Inspection Fee	Daily fee per metered space
STREET LANE OBSTRUCTION	Partial Street / Lane Closure – Major	\$47.50	\$17.50	\$18.00
	Partial Street / Lane Closure – Minor	\$30.00	\$17.50	\$18.00

Review Type		Review Fee	Daily Fee per space/vehicle	Daily Inspection Fee
PARKING SPACE OBSTRUCTION	² Metered space	\$18.50	\$18.00	\$17.50
	Non-metered space	\$18.50	\$0.00	\$17.50

	Review Type	Daily Inspection Fee
MISC.	Dumpster/POD	\$17.50
RIGHT-OF-WAY OBSTRUCTIONS	Moving	\$17.50