Rental Housing Inspection Fee Update

Effective July 1, 2022, Rental Housing Inspection Program inspection fees will increase from $127 to $164. The fee increase applies to Unit Inspection Fees, Additional Unit Inspection Fees, and Reinspection Fees only. The current $16 per unit program fee is not affected. Please refer to the information below for more details.

Applicability

Fees are charged for inspections performed on rental units that are subject to inspection per Chapter 8.120 of Sacramento City Code. This includes units that are subject to mandatory inspection, including newly registered units and those that do not qualify for self-certification.

The following fee types are affected:

- Unit Inspection Fees
- Re-inspection Fees
- Additional Unit Inspection Fees

What is a Unit Inspection Fee?

The Unit Inspection Fees are collected following inspection of one or more rental units. The cost includes an initial inspection of an individual unit, and if necessary, one reinspection. Reinspections occur only if the initial inspection results in violations being identified at the time of inspection. The reinspection(s) occur no sooner than 30 days after the violations are found.

What is a Reinspection Fee?

As noted above, if violations are found, the owner is provided with a list of violations that need to be corrected prior to the reinspection date indicated by the building inspector. If those violations are not corrected by the time of the reinspection, resulting in the need for a subsequent reinspection, a $127 Reinspection Fee will be collected.

What is an Additional Unit Inspection Fee?

If there are multiple rental housing units on a rental property, inspections are made of the common areas, and at least 10% of the rental units. If the inspector determines that one or more violations exist on the property, the inspector may conduct an inspection of additional units up to one hundred (100) percent of the units. The fee applies only to the units where an additional inspection took place.