

SaskPower Gas Inspections Schedule of Fees

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**Valid only for licensed and bonded
Gas Contractors pursuant to the Gas
Licensing Act and Regulations.**

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Table 1 - Residential Permit Fees

Pursuant to the Gas Licensing Regulation s.5, the holder of a domestic contractor's license may ... undertake work only on domestic installations i.e. any installation where the combined load does not exceed 117 KW (400,000 btuh).

		<u>Fees</u>
1.1	Residential* New Job*	
	a) Includes up to 3 appliances (an outdoor portable appliance piping that is terminated with a quick-connect* outlet is considered an appliance)	\$ 195.00
	b) Each appliance after the first 3	65.00

1.2	Residential* Improvements	
	a) Each Appliance Addition* (includes additional outdoor portable appliance quick-connect* outlet for BBQ, Heater, Firepit, or other)	\$ 65.00
	b) Each appliance Replacement* (including heat exchanger replacement in any type of gas-fired appliance)	65.00
	c) Each Alteration*	65.00
	d) Each Reconnection*	65.00
	e) Each Temporary* appliance (permit valid maximum 90 days)	65.00
	f) Each Underground* gas line	65.00
	g) Each Propane Tank Set* – Each Tank	35.00
	h) (New Job*/Addition*/Replacement*) Bin Dryer* up to 400,000 Btuh	65.00
	i) For gas line systems exceeding 5 million Btuh load or exceeding 2000 ft. length – New Job*, Addition*, Alteration*, or Reconnection* fees (above) apply - plus Requires Plan Approval*	Re: 6.1(h) \$ 125.00

Note – Table 1 is restricted to situations meeting the definition of **Residential*** in Table 7 of this Schedule. **Multi-Family*** dwellings having individual residential suites shall require separate **Residential* Addition*** or **Replacement*** permits for in-suite gas appliances as appropriate.

* Designates item defined or clarified, see Table 7 definitions

Table 2 - Commercial Permit Fees

		<u>Fees</u>
2.1	Commercial New Job*	
2.1.1	New Job* includes one appliance	\$ 325.00
	a) Each appliance after the first one	180.00
2.1.2	Additional Fees for Commercial New Job* with a Total Load: Exceeding 1 million Btuh	
	New Job* fees (above) apply Plus for the Total Project Load: Each 1 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 1 million Btuh - add	\$ 100.00 per million Btuh

2.2 Commercial Improvements		
2.2.1	Addition* (per appliance)	\$ 180.00
	a) Addition* fees (above) apply Plus when the combined load of the additional appliances is Exceeding 1 million Btuh: Each 1 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 1 million Btuh - add	\$ 100.00 per million Btuh
2.2.2	Replacement* (per appliance), (including a heat exchanger)	\$ 180.00
	a) Replacement* fees (above) apply Plus when the combined load of the replacement appliances is Exceeding 1 million Btuh: Each 1 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 1 million Btuh - add	\$ 100.00 per million Btuh
2.2.3	Other Commercial Improvements	
	a) Piping Alteration* ,or Reconnection*	\$ 180.00
	b) Each Underground* gas line under 200 ft	\$ 180.00
	c) For gas line systems exceeding 5 million Btuh load or exceeding 2000 ft. length – New Job* , Addition* , Alteration* , or Reconnection* fees (above) apply - plus Requires Plan Approval*	Re: 6.1(h) \$ 125.00

2.3 Other Permit Fees		
	a) Each gas turbine	\$5,000.00
	i) each micro turbine/fuel cell/gas engine (up to 1 million Btuh*)	325.00
	b) Bunsen burners in lab room(s) – per room	180.00
	c) Each Temporary* appliance (permit valid maximum 90 days)	
	i) first appliance	125.00
	ii) each additional Temporary* appliance	55.00
	d) Each natural gas vehicle refuelling facility with storage	750.00
	e) Propane Fees – see Table 3	
	f) Grain Dryer/Bin Dryer* over 400,000 Btuh – use commercial fees 2.1 (New) or 2.2 requires New Job* , Addition* , Replacement* permit as appropriate	
	g) Vaporizer* (permanent or temporary) is considered an appliance – requires New Job* , Addition* , Replacement* or Temporary* permit as appropriate	See Table 2 appliances

Note – **Multi-Family*** dwellings shall require Commercial **New Job***, **Addition*** or **Replacement*** permits for common appliances (such as central heating, hall make-up air) as appropriate.

*** Designates item defined or clarified, see Table 7 definitions**

Table 3 – Propane Permit Fees

Fees

3.1	Residential* Propane Services	
	a) Each Propane Tank Set* per 1.2 (f)	– Each Tank \$ 35.00

3.2	Commercial Propane Services	
	a) Each Propane Tank Set*	
	i) 120 USWG (420 lb.) up to & including 5,000 USWG capacity– Each Tank or manifold	\$ 35.00
	ii) over 5,000 USWG capacity – Each Tank or manifold	750.00
	iii) Temporary* Propane Tank Set* (max. 90 days) – Each Tank or manifold	35.00
	iv) Oilfield Propane Tank Set* – Each Tank or manifold	35.00
	b) Each propane refill center and propane storage and filling plant	
	- 5,000 and less USWG (21,200 lbs or 18,900 litres)	250.00
	- Over 5,000 USWG (21,200 lbs or 18,900 litres)	750.00
	c) Each Retail propane tank exchange site* (up to 4 cages/cabinets)	250.00
	d) Each Temporary* Mobile Trailer* (connected to a Propane Tank Set* or natural gas) – (permit valid maximum 90 days)	75.00
	e) Each exhibition/trade show concession (Temporary*) ¹ (max. 90 days)	75.00
	¹ or the event organizer may use hourly fees per Table 6)	
	f) Vaporizer* (permanent or temporary) is considered an appliance – requires New Job* , Addition* , Replacement* or Temporary* permit as appropriate	See Table 2 appliances

*** Designates item defined or clarified, see Table 7 definitions**

Notes: (see Definitions: **Propane Tank Set***)

- Each Tank, or multiple-tank manifold system of tanks, acting as a single fuel source, and over 120 USWG (420 lb) total capacity is subject to a **Propane Tank Set*** permit.
- One 420 lb. cylinder (pig) is considered a tank.
- Multiple propane containers, each under 120 USWG (under 420 lb.), when installed as a multiple-tank manifold system having a total capacity of 120 USWG (420 lb.) or more, are subject to a **Propane Tank Set*** permit.
- May be included a in **New Job*** permit if all tank, piping and appliance installations are done by the same contractor. but is required in connection with **Replacement***, Oilfield, **Temporary*** and all other installations.
- Includes the first supply line from the tank to a premise, appliance, site or building (whether or not underground).
- Propane containers under 120 USWG (under 420 lb.) are considered to be portable cylinders not subject to permit – unless:
 - i. installed as a multiple-container manifold system having a total capacity of 120 USWG (420 lb.) or more, then this multiple-container manifold system would be subject to a Propane Tank Set* permit as appropriate substituting “Each Multi-Container Manifold System” for Each Tank, or
 - ii. installed in a Retail propane tank exchange site* subject to the appropriate 3.2c permit.

Table 4 – Oilfield Permit Fees

Fees

4.1	Wellhead Site* New Job*	
	Includes 2 pieces of equipment (from this list: tank heater, engine, &/or cat. heater) (Propane Tank requires separate permit – see below)	\$ 325.00
4.2	Each Wellhead Site* Replacement*	
	a) Tank heater	\$ 180.00
	b) Gas engine	180.00
	c) Catalytic heater	75.00
4.3	Each Wellhead Site* Addition*	
	a) Tank heater	\$ 180.00
	b) Gas engine	180.00
	c) Catalytic heater	75.00
4.4	Each Propane Tank Set*	
	a) Each Propane Tank Set* (per 3.2)	
	i) up to and including 5,000 USWG (21,200 lbs or 18,900 litres) – Each Tank or manifold	\$ 35.00
	ii) over 5,000 USWG (21,200 lbs or 18,900 litres) – Each Tank or manifold	750.00

Notes: (see Definitions: **Propane Tank Set***)

4.5	Treater/Battery* and other Facility Locations (per Table 2)	
4.5.1	New Job* includes one piece of equipment	\$ 325.00
	a) Each piece of equipment after the first one	180.00
4.5.2	Additional Fees for Commercial New Job* with a Total Load: Exceeding 1 million Btuh	
	New Job* fees (above) apply Plus for the Total Project Load: Each 1 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 1 million Btuh – add	\$ 100.00
4.5.3	Addition* (per piece of equipment)	\$ 180.00
	a) Addition* fees (above) apply Plus when the combined load of the additional equipment is Exceeding 1 million Btuh: Each 1 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 1 million Btuh – add	100.00
4.5.4	Replacement* (per piece of equipment), including a heat exchanger	\$ 180.00
	a) Replacement* fees (above) apply Plus when the combined load of the replacement equipment is Exceeding 1 million Btuh: Each 1 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 1 million Btuh – add	100.00
4.5.5	Other Commercial Improvements	
	a) Piping Alteration* ,or Reconnection*	\$ 180.00
	b) Each Underground* gas line under 200 ft	\$ 180.00
	c) For gas line systems exceeding 5 million Btuh load or exceeding 2000 ft. length – New Job* , Addition* , Alteration* , or Reconnection* fees (above) apply - plus Requires Plan Approval*	Re: 6.1(h) \$ 125.00

**Fees
(plus GST)**

4.6 Field Approvals (FA)²

a) Wellhead Single Tank burner with Pre-Approved Design and limited to 1 million Btuh and under (Oilfield Only)	\$ 350.00
b) All FA rated 400,000 Btuh and less (not applicable to item 'a' above)	1,000.00
c) All FA in excess of 400,000 Btuh up to and including 5 million Btuh (not applicable to item 'a' above)	1,250.00
d) FA in excess of 5 million Btuh and less than 12.5 million Btuh	2,500.00
e) FA of 12.5 million Btuh or greater, up to and including 50 million Btuh	3,000.00
f) FA over 50 million Btuh, up to and including 70 million Btuh	3,500.00
g) FA over 70 million Btuh, up to and including 90 million Btuh	4,000.00
h) FA over 90 million Btuh, up to and including 110 million Btuh	4,500.00
i) FA over 110 million Btuh, up to and including 130 million Btuh	5,000.00
j) FA over 130 million Btuh, up to and including 150 million Btuh	5,500.00
k) FA over 150 million Btuh – FA fees (above) apply plus for each 20 million Btuh or part thereof in excess of 150 million Btuh	500.00 per 20 million Btuh
l) ³ Alteration or Relocation ⁴ of any other Previously Approved Appliance (unless field approved as a mobile appliance)	New Approval
m) ⁴ Unreported relocation of any Previously Approved Equipment	250.00
n) Special Inspection (hourly rate) /hr	125.00

²All field approvals under the SaskPower Field Approval Program are certifications utilizing the current version of CSA B149.3. The equipment input categories in this schedule of fees are designed to align with the equipment input distinctions in CSA B149.3 where possible.

³All field approvals become invalid if the burner train equipment is altered or modified.

⁴Generally, if the gas-fired equipment is relocated, the original field approval becomes invalid, requiring a new application for Field Approval and the re-inspection of the equipment before and during equipment recommissioning. The exceptions to this rule are gas-fired equipment which are field approved as mobile, or those Previously Approved Wellhead Single Tank Burners limited to 1 million Btuh and under, may be relocated and re-commissioned under a **New Job*** permit with the original field approval remaining valid, on the condition that the new location of the equipment is reported prior to re-commissioning and the original SaskPower Field Approval Program certification tag is still attached in place and intact.

Appliances or equipment not listed – use commercial rates

*** Designates item defined or clarified, see Table 7 definitions**

Note – The minimum time charge for all fees that are assessed on an hourly basis is one hour and the minimum time charge assessed on overtime rates is two hours (8.5). All fees that are assessed on an hourly basis are subject to GST (8.6).

Table 5 – Start-Up Permit Fees

Fees
(plus GST)

Start-up of certified equipment (see other fees) over 1 million Btuh (not within SaskPower Field Approval Program) First Hour Included, each additional hour	/hr	\$ 125.00
Overtime Rate per hour – minimum of 2 hours	/hr	250.00

Note – The minimum time charge for all fees that are assessed on an hourly basis is one hour and the minimum time charge assessed on overtime rates is two hours (8.5). All fees that are assessed on an hourly basis are subject to GST (8.6).

Table 6 - Inspection Fees

Fees
(plus GST)

6.1 Other Inspection Fees (hourly plus GST)		
a) Re-inspection		
i) Residential*	/hr	\$125.00
ii) commercial	/hr	125.00
b) Daycare	/hr	125.00
c) Real estate inspection	/hr	125.00
d) Defects not completed/properly completed in allotted time	/hr	125.00
e) Review plan/document/record	/hr	125.00
f) Investigations/report	/hr	125.00
g) Attendance of Inspector(s) at directed Site Orientations	/hr	125.00
h) Drawing reviews (each)		125.00
i) Review of technical data supporting a request for Code Variance	/hr	125.00
j) Mobile Food Vendor (Food Truck) initial inspection (each)		125.00
k) Mobile Food Vendor (Food Truck) re-inspection (each)		125.00
l) Overtime Rates (minimum 2 hours)	/hr	250.00
m) Services not covered elsewhere in this schedule	/hr	125.00

¹ During Working Hours. After Hours attendance is subject to overtime rates & minimum 2 hour charge.

Charges
/Refund

6.1 Other Inspection charges/refunds (no GST)		
a) Mileage from inspector's office location	per kilometer	50 cents/km
b) Permit refund ¹ (prior to commencement of work)	permit fee less	\$ 25.00
c) Permit refund ¹ (after work commencement)		No Refund

¹ Permit refunds are only available within 1 year of permit application

Penalty

6.2 Administrative Penalty (no GST)	
a) Each unreported gas installation (up to the maximum allowable penalty that may be imposed pursuant to section 35.2 of the Gas Inspections Act)	\$2500.00

Note – The minimum time charge for all fees that are assessed on an hourly basis is one hour and the minimum time charge assessed on overtime rates is two hours (8.5). All fees that are assessed on an hourly basis are subject to GST (8.6).

Table 7 – Scope & Definitions

Scope

- This Fee Schedule is valid only for licensed and bonded Gas Contractors pursuant to the Gas Licensing Act and Regulations.
- Pursuant to the Gas Licensing Regulation s.5, the holder of a domestic contractor's license may ... undertake work only on domestic installations i.e. any installation where the combined load does not exceed 117 KW (400,000 btuh).
- Include, Includes, Included, Including
For the purpose of this fee schedule Include, Includes, Included or Including means work that is performed by the same contractor, at the same time.

Definitions:

Alteration (use when adding or altering piping, or altering venting)

- Where a main or a branch line is altered to add additional piping, relocate an appliance, repair the line or add an outlet for an appliance. Includes the installation of gas piping or fittings for any purpose other than the installation of gas-fired appliances or equipment at the same time by the same contractor. This includes the pre-piping in preparation for future **New Job*** or **Addition*** permits. If this work is directly connected to, and at the same time as an **Underground*** gas line permit, then an Alteration permit for this connection is not required. Due to carbon monoxide safety concerns, an **Alteration*** permit is required when an appliance venting is altered, relocated, repaired or replaced.

Addition (use when adding a gas-fired appliance)

- Includes appliance installation and piping to appliance. This fee applies to outlets for BBQ and other portable outdoor appliances when the CSA 6.9 compliant quick-connection is installed. For the installation of additional piping, which is terminated in a plug or cap and is designated as a future outlet, use an **Alteration*** permit.

Grain Dryer / Bin Dryer

- For an existing Grain Dryer over 400,000 Btuh that is being reconnected, a **Reconnection*** permit is required.
- For an existing Bin Dryer up to 400,000 Btuh that is being reconnected - a **Reconnection*** permit is not required.
- Upon arrival of a propane tank in either instance, a **Propane Tank Set*** permit is required.

Mobile Trailers - includes Mobile Structures (permit valid maximum 90 days)

- Includes office trailers, wash trailers, sleeping bunks.
- Permit includes propane storage containers and appliances. A permit is required per **Mobile Trailer*** or Structure.
- A separate **Propane Tank Set*** permit is required per tank as appropriate.
- Mobile Structures required on projects over 90 days require Commercial permit fees as appropriate.
- Mobile Trailers that have self-contained propane storage containers as an integral part of their certification, do not require a **Mobile Trailer***, Commercial, or **Propane Tank Set*** permit, but must be certified as a unit.

Multi-Family

- A multi-family dwelling having individual residential suites shall require a Commercial **New Job*** permit for common appliances (such as central heating, hall make-up air), and separate **Residential* Addition*** permits for in-suite gas appliances as appropriate. Thereafter, common appliances shall require Commercial **Addition*** or **Replacement*** permits, and individual residential suites shall require separate **Residential* Addition*** or **Replacement*** permits.

New Job

- Permanent Installations where a fuel supply had not previously been connected or the conversion of an existing system from one fuel type to another. Includes the first three permanent appliances. When a branch line is terminated outdoors with a quick-connect intended for use with a portable outdoor appliance, it is considered an appliance. Branch lines otherwise terminated with a plug or cap (indoors or outdoors) are considered for future use and are not considered appliances under this schedule. A **New Job*** is the only type of permit which will include a **Propane Tank Set*** if all tank, piping and appliance installations are done by the same contractor. Temporary appliances are not included in New Job fees.

Propane Tank Set

- Each Tank, or multiple-tank manifold system of tanks, acting as a single fuel source, and over 120 USWG (420 lb) total capacity is subject to a **Propane Tank Set*** permit.
- One 420 lb. cylinder (pig) is considered a tank.
- Multiple propane containers, each under 120 USWG (under 420 lb.), when installed as a multiple-tank manifold system having a total capacity of 120 USWG (420 lb.) or more, are subject to a **Propane Tank Set*** permit.
- May be included in a **New Job*** permit if all tank, piping and appliance installations are done by the same contractor. but is required in connection with **Replacement***, Oilfield, **Temporary*** and all other installations.
- Includes the first supply line from the tank to a premise, appliance, site or building (whether or not underground).
- Propane containers under 120 USWG (under 420 lb.) are considered to be portable cylinders not subject to permit – unless:
 - iii. installed as a multiple-container manifold system having a total capacity of 120 USWG (420 lb.) or more, then this multiple-container manifold system would be subject to a Propane Tank Set* permit as appropriate substituting “Each Multi-Container Manifold System” for Each Tank, or
 - iv. installed in a Retail propane tank exchange site* subject to the appropriate 3.2c permit.

Reconnection

- Re-activating a fuel supply to an existing system after one year of disconnection.
- An air test shall be performed on all piping to clear this type of permit.

Replacement

- Replacing an appliance with an appliance designed to provide the same functionality as the original.
- Replacement of any appliance heat exchanger (**Residential*** or Commercial) requires a **Replacement*** permit. Any appliance includes furnaces, heaters, water heaters and boilers.
- Includes alteration or replacement, in whole or in part, to the venting system (singular or multiple appliances) to ensure the venting system meets current code for the singular or multiple appliance result.
- A dial test shall be performed in accordance with CSA B149.1-15 clause 6.22.3 to clear this type of permit.

Residential

- Includes all single family and multifamily dwelling where each unit has a gas meter. Up to and including three dwellings may be connected to a single meter and still be defined **Residential***.

Retail propane tank exchange site

- A protected location on a retail property where no more than four adjacent cages/cabinets containing empty and full propane cylinders, each having a maximum capacity of 30 lbs, intended for exchange or sale. The maximum capacity of each cabinet is limited to an aggregate of 500 lbs.

Treater/Battery

- Treater or battery sites normally serve multiple wells and have utility supplied electrical service. Includes any oilfield facility that is regularly manned with an office space on-site.

Temporary

- A **Temporary*** permit expires 90 days after the date of issuance – Gas Inspection Regulation 9(2).

Wellhead Site

- An unmanned site at which a **New Job*** includes one or up to two pieces of gas-fired equipment from the following list: tank heater, gas engine, and/or catalytic heater.

Underground

- Where an underground gas line is installed under a **New Job***, or **Addition*** permit, no separate permit for the underground gas line is required. Where an underground gas line is otherwise installed, whether or not the gas line is connected to a fuel source under this permit or this connection is planned in the future, an **Underground*** permit is required. If the connection to the fuel source is made under an **Underground*** gas line permit, then an **Alteration*** permit for this connection is not required. If not done so under the current **Underground*** permit, the future gas line connection to a fuel source must be performed under either a future **Addition***, or **Alteration*** permit as appropriate so the contractor is properly assigned the liability for the work for which they were responsible under permit.

Vaporizer

- A gas-fuelled vaporizer is an appliance and its installation shall be done under permit in accordance with the commercial fee schedule for installation of appliances.

Table 8 - Calculation of Fees

- 8.1** Where any person has a delinquent account with the corporation, any permit fees submitted subsequently may be applied first to the delinquency with the balance, if any, held on credit.
- 8.2** (1) Subject to clause 8.2 subsection (2), an applicant for a permit shall pay any required fee to the corporation at the time he delivers the permit application.
- (2) Where the fee is computed on the basis of an hourly inspection rate, an applicant for a permit shall pay any assessed fee requested by the corporation on completion of the inspection.
- 8.3** (1) When the inspector is satisfied that determination of the extent of the installation was not possible at the time the permit was issued, a supplementary fee may be assessed on the original permit.
- (2) The supplementary fee mentioned in clause 8.3 subsection (1) shall be based on the total accumulated costs less the fees already paid in respect of the installation.
- 8.4** An inspection fee as set forth in this schedule, plus reasonable out of pocket expenses such as travelling and living costs, is payable for:
- a) each inspection of corrective work ordered where it is found that the corrective work has not been done in a manner acceptable to an inspector;
 - b) each inspection of corrective work on a gas installation that is done under a contractor's guarantee bond;
 - c) each inspection of corrective work on a gas installation required to authorize the reconnection of a gas supply to a premise, where the gas supply was disconnected;
 - d) each trip an inspector makes as a result of an incorrect address being recorded on a permit or notice of completion by an applicant;
 - e) each visit requested by a contractor or other person that is made by an inspector to inspect a site with respect to a gas installation;
 - f) each inspection or investigation, including any time spent in correspondence or communication, related to work not reported in a permit or notice of completion;
 - g) each inspection or investigation, including any time spent in correspondence or communication related to work grossly under-reported in a permit.
- 8.5** An inspection fee as set forth in this schedule is payable for an inspection of repairs or alterations performed on damaged or substandard gas equipment and gas installations for which no inspection fee is otherwise prescribed, and the minimum time charge for an inspection is one hour. The minimum charge on overtime rates is 2 hours.
- 8.6** All Field Approval fees, and all fees that are assessed on an hourly basis, are subject to GST.