

**TITLE 785. OKLAHOMA WATER RESOURCES BOARD
CHAPTER 5. FEES**

SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

785:5-1-6. Stream water permit application and administration fees

- (a) A filing fee based on amount requested in the application must be submitted with each application for a permit to appropriate stream water as follows:
- (1) 1 through 320 acre-feet - ~~\$250.00~~\$500.00
 - (2) 321 through 640 acre-feet - ~~\$350.00~~\$700.00
 - (3) 641 through 1,500 acre-feet - ~~\$450.00~~\$900.00
 - (4) More than 1,500 acre-feet - ~~\$450.00~~\$900.00, plus an additional ~~\$150.00~~\$250.00 for each increment of 500 acre-feet above 1500 acre-feet requested, provided that no person shall be charged a total amount in excess of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) per application.
 - (5) If the applicant proposes to divert or use stream water from a scenic river or an area designated as an outstanding water resource by the State, the applicant must submit an additional fee of \$250.00 (see also Chapter 45 of this Title).
- (b) Applications for provisional temporary permits to appropriate stream water except expedited applications require a fee of \$200.00.
- (c) Expedited applications for provisional temporary permits to appropriate stream water require ~~an additional fee of \$250.00~~\$100.00.
- (d) Annual water right administration fee for the submittal of water use reports shall be \$75.00 for each permit or vested right, ~~provided that the cumulative maximum water right administration fees imposed on any one permit or vested right holder shall not be more than \$500.00 per year.~~
- (e) If the annual water use report is filed later than 30 days after the due date as set forth in the report form mailed to the water right holder, an additional amount of \$50.00 for each permit shall be due (see also 785:20-9-5).
- (f) Applications for stream water use for the purpose of enhanced recovery of oil and gas pursuant to 785:20-3-4 shall have an application fee of \$4,500.00.
- (g) For stream water applications that have proposed diversion points within stream systems that the Board at any time determines have no unappropriated water available and the Board holds those applications administratively, an annual fee shall be submitted by the applicant equivalent to the annual water right administration fee for the submittal of water use reports per part (d).
- (h) Permit fees pursuant to this section will not be refunded unless the Board determines that an overpayment was made by the applicant.

785:5-1-10. Groundwater application and administration fees

- (a) A filing and application fee based on amount requested must be submitted with each application for a permit for the withdrawal of groundwater as follows:
- (1) 1 through 320 acre-feet - ~~\$250.00~~\$500.00
 - (2) 321 through 640 acre-feet - ~~\$350.00~~\$700.00
 - (3) 641 through 1,500 acre-feet - ~~\$450.00~~\$900.00

- (4) More than 1,500 acre-feet - ~~\$450.00~~\$900.00, plus an additional ~~\$150.00~~\$250.00 for each increment of 500 acre-feet above 1,500 acre-feet requested, provided that no person shall be charged a total amount in excess of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) per application.
- (b) Applications for provisional temporary permits except expedited applications require a fee of 200.00.
- (c) Expedited applications for provisional temporary permits to withdraw groundwater require ~~a~~ an additional fee of \$250.00 ~~\$100.00~~.
- (d) Annual water right administration fee for the submittal of water use reports shall be \$50.00 for each permit or prior right, ~~provided that the cumulative maximum water right administration fees imposed on any one permit or prior right holder shall not be more than \$500.00 per year.~~
- (e) If the annual water use report is filed later than thirty (30) days after the due date as set forth in the report form mailed to the water right holder, an additional amount of \$50.00 for each permit shall be due.
- (f) Applications for groundwater use that overlie a sensitive sole-source basin shall require an additional \$250.00 fee.
- (g) Applications for groundwater use for the purpose of enhanced recovery of oil and gas pursuant to 785:30-3-2 shall have an application fee of \$4,500.00.
- (h) Permit fees pursuant to this section shall not be refunded unless the Board determines that an overpayment was made by the applicant.

785:5-1-11. Well driller and pump installer licensing fees

- (a) The filing application and license fee for issuance of individual, partnership, or corporation well driller licenses for one activity to be certified under 785:35-3-1 which shall include the operator certification for the individual license or, in the case of a partnership or corporation, one operator certification for such activity shall be \$400.00 for two years.
- (b) The license fee for a nonresident shall be the amount charged in the state of the nonresident but in no case less than \$1,000.00 for two years. (c) The initial fee for the Indemnity Fund for one activity certified under 785:35-3-1 shall be \$250.00 for residents and \$400.00 for nonresidents.
- (d) The license application and indemnity fund fee for each additional activity shall be \$200.00.
- (e) The application fee for each additional operator certificate shall be \$100.00 for a two (2) year period.
- (f) The renewal fee, which shall include the operator certification shall be \$350.00 if the application to renew is filed by May 31; provided that a late fee of \$250.00 shall be due for the completed license renewal application if received by the Board after May 31 of the year to be renewed, but before the end of the applicable grace period.
- (g) The fee for each additional operator certification renewal shall be \$100.00 for a two (2) year period.
- (h) The renewal fee for the Indemnity Fund for each operator shall be \$100.00 for residents of Oklahoma and \$200.00 for nonresidents for a two (2) year period.
- (i) The fee for examination of any operator shall be \$50.00.
- (j) The fee for transfer of individual licensee designation to partnership, corporation or other entity or certified operator from one firm or corporation to another shall be \$50.00.

- (k) The fee to file a request for a variance or exception from any construction, completion, plugging or other requirement set forth for groundwater wells, fresh water observation wells, heat exchange wells or test holes in Chapter 35 in this Title shall be \$75.00.
- (l) The fee to file a request for a variance or exception from any construction, completion, plugging or other requirement set forth for monitoring wells or geotechnical borings in Chapter 35 shall be \$200.00.
- (m) The fee to file an intent to drill for marginal water well construction shall be \$500.00.
- (n) Upon presentation of satisfactory evidence that an applicant for licensure or certification is a low-income individual, shall grant a one-time one-year waiver of any fees associated with such licensure or certification. For purposes of the section, "low-income individual" means an individual who is enrolled in a state or federal public assistance program, including, but not limited to, the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Medicaid or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or whose household adjusted gross income is below one hundred forty percent (140%) of the federal poverty line or a higher threshold to be set by the executive branch department that oversees business regulation.
- (o) The fee to file an intent-to-drill for authorization to construct a groundwater well for a use which requires a permit or a water right shall be \$250.00.
- ~~(p) The fee to file an intent to drill for authorization to construct a groundwater well for domestic use shall be \$25.00~~
- (p) The fee to file an intent-to-drill for expedited, same-day authorization to construct a groundwater well for domestic a use which requires a permit or a water right shall be an additional \$100.00.

785:5-1-14. Stream Water and Groundwater petition fees

Stream water and groundwater petition fees are as follows:

- (1) For the filing of a petition to amend a permit or water right which does not require notice to be given - ~~\$100.00~~\$200.00
- (2) For the filing of ~~an~~ an ~~petition to transfer ownership or record assignment of a permit or water right or~~ Information Sheet regarding domestic use of stream water from federal reservoirs - \$100.00
- (3) For the filing of a petition to transfer ownership or a petition to subdivide the ownership or record partial assignment of a permit or water right - ~~\$400.00~~100.00.
- (4) For filing a petition for extension of time for commencement of any works for the taking of stream water - \$100.00
- (5) For filing of a petition regarding addition or deletion of land from an irrigation district - \$100.00
- (6) For filing of a petition to amend a permit or groundwater right requesting additional water, a filing and application fee based on the additional amount requested must be submitted with each amendment application as follows:
 - (A) 1 through 320 acre-feet - ~~\$200.00~~\$400.00
 - (B) 321 through 640 acre-feet - ~~\$350.00~~\$750.00
 - (C) 641 through 1,500 acre-feet - ~~\$450.00~~\$900.00
 - (D) More than 1,500 acre-feet - ~~\$450.00~~\$900.00, plus an additional ~~\$150.00~~\$250.00 for each increment of 500 acre-feet above 1,500 acre-feet requested,

provided that no person shall be charged a total amount in excess of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) per application.

(7) For filing of all other petitions to amend a permit or water right for which notice must be given - ~~\$200.00~~\$400.00.

(8) For filing of a petition to amend a groundwater right that overlies a sensitive sole-source basin shall require an additional \$250.00 fee.

(9) For filing a petition to amend a groundwater or stream water right to add the beneficial use of, or request additional water for, enhanced recovery of oil and gas pursuant to 785:20-3-4 or 785:30-3-2, shall require an application fee of \$4,500.00.

(10) Permit fees pursuant to this section shall not be refunded unless the Board determines that an overpayment was made by the applicant.