

Ordinance No. 673

AN ORDINANCE to amend and re-ordain Sections 14, 15 and 21, of Chapter 26 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia enacted as a whole July 2, 1940 and made effective August 5, 1940, as amended by Ordinance No. 468 which said Chapter 26 relates to electricity, which said Section 14 relates to qualifications and fees of applicants for certificate "B", which said Section 15 relates to fees for certificate "A" and which said Section 21 relates to fees for inspection.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 14, of Chapter 26, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia enacted as a whole July 2, 1940 and made effective August 5, 1940, as amended by Ordinance No. 468, be and the same hereby is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 14. Qualifications and fees of applicants for certificate "B".

A person desiring certificate "B", who must have had at least three years' experience as a journeyman electrician or helper, shall make written application therefor, accompanied by the proper fee which shall be three dollars, but no fee shall be required for a subsequent re-examination. In case of failure of an applicant, he shall be eligible for re-examination one month after failure, but if he fails at such re-examination, then he will be ineligible for examination until further lapse of six months.

Section 2. That Section 15 of Chapter 26, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia enacted as a whole July 2, 1940 and made effective August 5, 1940, as amended by Ordinance No. 468, be and the same hereby is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 15. Fees for certificate "A".

Applicants for certificate "A" shall be eligible to receive said certificate upon payment of the registration fee which shall be, twenty-five dollars for the first year, and ten dollars for each renewal. The year shall be the city fiscal year. Certificate "B" shall be governed by the same conditions except the fee shall be three dollars each year.

Section 3. That Section 21, of Chapter 26, of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia enacted as a whole July 2, 1940 and made effective August 5, 1940, as amended by Ordinance No. 468, be and the same hereby is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 21. Fees for inspection.

The fees charged under these rules and regulations for the inspection of electric wiring, fixtures, apparatus, and appliances, which shall be paid at the time permit is issued, are as follows:

(a) For the inspection of circuit wiring for all classes of electrical fixtures, apparatus, appliances, motors, signs and devices within the scope of these rules and regulations: 1-2 branch circuits, \$2.00; 3-4 branch circuits \$4.00; 5-6 branch circuits \$5.00; 7-8 branch circuits \$6.00; each additional 3 circuits or fraction thereof in excess of 8 circuits, \$1.00. Three-wire branch circuits will be considered the same as two two-wire branch circuits and will be charged for accordingly. No charge will be made for

feeder circuits when installed in conjunction with branch circuits, but when installed without branch-circuit wiring the charge will be the same as that for branch circuits. When additional branch or feeder circuits are installed after the securing of permit, the fee for the work not covered by the original permit will be the same as for an original installation.

(b) For the inspection of lighting fixtures, ceiling fans and heating devices or appliances of less than 1 kw. capacity which are not used jointly with other apparatus, each ten or fractional part thereof, \$1.00. Lamp sockets and lamp receptacles, not an actual part of fixtures, and lamp sockets or receptacles on cord will, for the purpose of fixing the fee, be considered as individual lighting fixtures.

(c) For inspection of outline, decorative and trough lighting, each 25 lights or fractional part thereof, \$1.00.

(d) For inspection of vacuum-tube lighting (not sign lighting), $\frac{1}{2}$ kw., \$2.00; each additional $\frac{1}{2}$ kw., or fractional part thereof, \$1.00.

(e) For inspection of arc lamps, vapor lamps and rectifier or rheostat charges for storage batteries, one, \$1.00; each additional, \$0.25.

(f) For inspection of motors, generators, motor generators, and rotary converters, not including wiring, 0-2 horsepower, inclusive, one, \$1.00; each additional, \$0.75. Motors, etc., of 3 to 15 horsepower, inclusive, one, \$2.00; each additional \$1.00. Motors, etc., of 16 horsepower and over, one, \$3.00; each additional, \$1.50; Temporary motors, each motor, \$1 00.

(g) For inspection of fixed heating devices, cooking devices, electric welders, ovens and furnaces of over one kw., one, \$2.00; each additional, \$1.00. A fixed device as applied to this rule is one which is obviously intended by size, weight, and service not to be frequently moved from place to place.

(h) For inspection of transformers including primary wiring in excess of 600 volts, \$2.00. Bell ringing transformers of not over 25 watt capacity not included in this charge.

(i) For inspection of out door electric signs, each sign, \$2.00. Electric signs inside buildings will be considered the same as electric fixtures and will be charged for as under (b) of this section. No charge will be made for transformers used as part of sign equipment. The circuit fee is provided in subdivision (a) of this section.

(j) For inspection of motion picture machines, stereopticon lamps, and arc spot lights one, \$2.00; each additional \$1.00.

(k) For inspection of X-ray machines, one, \$2.00; each additional, \$1.00.

(l) Temporary service on pole or shed, \$5.00. Temporary on permanent service, \$2.00. Renewal of old services, \$2.00.

(m) For inspection of temporary wiring and for wiring for lawn fetes, but not for carnivals, 100 lights or less, \$2.00.

(n) For inspection of wiring, motors and appliances for circuses and carnivals, \$10.00.

(o) For inspection of wiring for indoor exhibitions, expositions and the like, areas of 3,000 sq. ft. or less, \$2.00.

(p) For inspection of radio transmitters, one, \$2.00; each additional, \$1.00

(q) Amplifiers for public address systems, sound moving pictures and the like, one, \$2.00; each additional, \$1.00.

(r) For inspection of television equipment, \$2.00.

(s) the minimum size service for any occupancy shall be 60 amp. capacity.

(t) No temporary or permanent service will be granted until permits for oil burner, gas burners, stokers and floor sanding are secured.

(u) No concealment of wiring or service approval will be made unless street number is displayed on front of building.

Fees and fines collected under this chapter shall be paid to the treasurer of the city.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be published in the Alexandria Gazette not later than two days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

Franklin P. Backus
Mayor

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