

Subtitle 13 BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

09.13.05 Fees

Authority: Business Occupations and Professions Article, §§ 15-205 and 15-208, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action

[23-293-P]

The Board for Professional Land Surveyors proposes to amend Regulation .03 under COMAR 09.13.05 Fees. This action was considered by the Board for Professional Land Surveyors on November 1, 2023.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to manage the rising operation costs of the Professional Design Boards unit and improve services for licensees and constituents.

Estimate of Economic Impact

I. Summary of Economic Impact. The amendments will increase fees on licensees approximately \$2—\$12 per year.

II. Types of Economic Impact.

Impacted Entity	Revenue (R+/R-) Expenditure (E+/E-)	Magnitude
A. On issuing agency:		
Board for Professional Land Surveyors	(R+)	Moderate
B. On other State agencies:	NONE	
C. On local governments:	NONE	
	Benefit (+) Cost (-)	Magnitude
D. On regulated industries or trade groups:		
Professional land surveyors	(-)	Minor
E. On other industries or trade groups:	NONE	
F. Direct and indirect effects on public:	NONE	

III. Assumptions. (Identified by Impact Letter and Number from Section II.)

- A. Application and renewal rates will remain constant or increase slightly.
- D. Licensees will continue to renew their licenses.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Zevi Thomas, Executive Director, Department of Labor, Professional Design Boards and Board of Pilots, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing, Maryland Department of Labor, 1100 N. Eutaw Street, 5th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201, or call 410-230-6262, or email to zevi.thomas@maryland.gov. Comments will be accepted through January 29, 2024. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

.03 Fees and Costs.

A. The Secretary and the design boards have agreed to average their direct and indirect costs, based on the calculation of costs performed by the Secretary in consultation with the design boards. Based on these calculations, the Board sets the following fees:

- (1) License fee — [\$76.50] \$86;

- (2) Permit fee — [~~\$100~~] *\$112*;
- (3) Nonrefundable initial application fee payable in connection with:
 - (a) An application for permit — [~~\$35~~] *\$39*;
 - (b) An application for license [by reciprocity — ~~\$50~~] *\$56*;
- (4) Reinstatement fee — [~~\$100~~] *\$112*;
- (5) Verification fee — [~~\$20~~] *\$22*;
- (6) Replacement license certificate fee — [~~\$35~~] *\$39*.

B. An applicant for the appropriate licensing examination shall pay [the following] examination fees directly to the Board or its designee, as these fees are established by the National Council of Examiners of Engineers and Surveyors[.]:

- [(1) Fundamentals of Land Surveying — *\$225*;
- (2) Principles and Practice — *\$250*.]

C. An applicant shall pay [~~\$35~~] *\$39* to the Board or its designee in connection with the Maryland Law and Ethics Issues portion of the examination.

D. An applicant shall pay [~~\$35~~] *\$39* to the Board or its designee in connection with the Maryland Storm Drain and Road Grade portion of the examination.

E.—F. (text unchanged)

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