

STATE OF DELAWARE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL

JOHN W. RUDD STATE FIRE MARSHAL DOVER OFFICE HEADQUARTERS

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To: All Interested Parties

The 153rd General Assembly passed, and the Governor has signed House Bill 124, which raises fees that the Office of the State Fire Marshal charges for licenses and permits.

Effective <u>January 1, 2026</u>, fees that the Office of the State Fire Marshal charges shall be implemented as detailed below:

All fire protection systems require an annual **Certificate of Inspection** by a licensed fire protection vendor per Regulation 703, Chapter 1, Section 4.1.5:

https://regulations.delaware.gov/api/AdminCode/title1/703/e850cfe5-3de4-4b5f-b0ff-ca04e525415f

Each fire protection system shall be inspected and a \$25 fee per system shall be submitted to the Office of the State Fire Marshal along with the prescribed Certificate of Inspection form.

The discount for apartment buildings and apartment complexes shall no longer apply as it is not permitted by 16 *Del. C.* §6612.

Each fire protection system for every apartment building shall require a Certificate of Inspection and a corresponding \$25.00 fee.

Sincerely,

John W. Rudd

State Fire Marshal