Maryland
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

ORDER WAIVING CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEES

I, Robert R. Neall, Secretary of the Maryland Department of Health, acting pursuant to the Proclamation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. dated March 5, 2020 and renewed on March 17, 2020 and April 10, 2020, proclaiming a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency related to COVID-19, and Health-General § 2-104(n)(2), authorizing the Secretary to waive all of the fees established under the Health-General Article, hereby order that the following fees shall be waived during the period of the state of emergency, or until replaced or superseded by another order. This order excludes any fees that are collected by local jurisdictions.

1. Office of Food Protection and Center for Healthy Homes and Community Services (COMAR 10.01.17.02):

A. Annual permit or inspection fee for:

(1) Bobtailer - $50;

(2) Bulk milk hauler/sampler - $50;

(3) Certified industry dairy farm inspector - $10;

(4) Distribution station - $25;

(5) Farmstead cheese processor - $100;

(6) Milk processor - $100;

(7) Milk tank truck cleaning facility - $25;

(8) Milk transportation company - $5, plus $5 for each milk tank truck;

(9) Receiving station - $25; and

(10) Transfer station - $25.

B. Annual youth camp application fee based on estimated camper days, that is, the estimated average number of campers enrolled each day multiplied by the estimated number of days a camp intends to operate during a camp season.

C. Annual license fee for:

(1) Food processing plants:

(a) Bakery plant - $150;

(b) Cannery - $150;

(c) Charity deer processing plant, as defined in COMAR 10.15.04 - no fee (application and license still required);

(d) Civic or nonprofit organizations that process meat for human consumption no more than three times a year for 5 days or less each time - $150;

(e) Confectionary plant - $150;

(f) Crab meat plant - $150;

(g) Ice manufacturing plant - $150;

(h) Shellfish:

(i) Shucking, packing, or repacking plant - $150;

(ii) Shipping or reshipping plant - $150; or

(iii) Seasonal shellstock shipping or reshipping plant - $100;

(i) Food manufacturing plant - $150;

(j) A food warehouse or distribution center that distributes:

(i) Potentially hazardous food - $150; or

(ii) Only non-potentially hazardous food - $150;

(k) Bottled water plant - $150;

(l) Soft drink manufacturing plant - $150;

(m) Frozen food manufacturing plant - $150;

(n) Seasonal food manufacturing plant - $35;

(o) On-farm home processing plant - $30; and

(p) Producer mobile farmer's market unit - $100; and

(2) Frozen dessert mix or frozen dessert plant with manufacturing capacity of:

(a) 0 to 25,000 gallons - $10;

(b) 25,001 to 100,000 gallons - $50;

(c) 100,001 to 250,000 gallons - $100;

(d) 250,001 to 500,000 gallons - $150; and

(e) Over 500,000 gallons - $200;

D. Except for a local subdivision with delegated authority, **plan review fee for food processing plants:**

(1) Bakery plant - $300;

(2) Bottled water plant - $300;

(3) Cannery - $300;

(4) Charity deer processing plant - no fee (application and license still required);

(5) Civic or nonprofit organizations that process meat for human consumption no more than three times a year for 5 days or less each time - $150;

(6) Confectionary plant - $300;

(7) Crab meat plant - $300;

(8) Food Manufacturing - $300;

(9) Food manufacturing plant operating in another licensed food establishment - $200;

(10) Food warehouse or distribution center - $300;

(11) Frozen food manufacturing plant - $300;

(12) Ice manufacturing plant - $300;

(13) On-farm home processing plant - no fee (application and license still required);

(14) Producer mobile farmer's market unit - no fee(application and license still required) ;

(15) Seasonal food manufacturing plant - no fee (application and license still required); and

(16) Shellfish:

(a) Shucking, packing, or repacking plant - $300;

(b) Shipping or reshipping plant - no fee (application and license still required); or

(c) Seasonal shellstock shipping or reshipping plant - no fee (application and license still required);

E. Plan review fee for a food service facility that is a retail chain or a franchise operation planning to construct two or more facilities in the State from a single uniform set of plans - $300;

F. Food process or hazard analysis critical control point plan review:

(1) In a retail facility or a food processing plant - $200; or

(2) In a bona fide civic or nonprofit organization that processes meat for human consumption no more than three times a year for 5 days or less each time - $150; and

G. Except for a local subdivision with delegated authority**, application review fee** for:

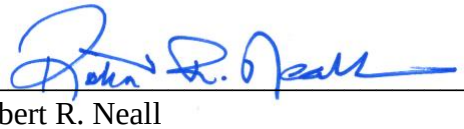
(1) Construction of a public pool or spa - $300;

(2) Alterations at a public pool or spa - $200; and

(3) Replacements at a public pool or spa - $50.

2. Permits and licenses still required. Despite the fee waivers, applications and renewal requests for Office of Food Protection and Center for Healthy Homes and Community Services permits and licenses are still required and must be issued in order to open and operate.

THIS AMENDED DIRECTIVE AND ORDER IS ISSUED UNDER MY HAND THIS 27TH DAY OF MAY 2020 AND IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.



Robert R. Neall
Secretary