



CONSERVATION HALTON PERMIT FEES 2023
Development, Interference or Alteration Applications
Pursuant to Ontario Regulation 162/06 - Effective January 1, 2023



<u>Category</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Letter of Permission (Note 1)	No site visit or technical review	PL(a) \$278.00
	Technical Site visit <i>or</i> technical review	PL(b) \$540.00
	Technical Site visit <i>and</i> technical review	PL(c) \$1,753.00
Private Landowner Single Residential/Single Farm	Minor	P(a) \$540.00
	Intermediate	P(i) \$1,753.00
	Major	P(b) \$5,750.00
Residential Multi-Unit Lots (RM)	Minor	RM(a) G(a) ICI(a) \$2,100.00
Local Municipality, Utility (G)	Intermediate	RM(i) G(i) ICI(i) \$4,415.00
Industrial/Commercial	Major	RM(b) G(b) ICI(b) \$22,808.00
Institutional (ICI)	Major Scale	RM(c) G(c) ICI(c) \$30,354.00
Fill Placement (Not Associated with a Planning Application)	Small ($\leq 30m^3$)	FP(a) \$540.00
	Medium ($> 30m^3$ but $\leq 200 m^3$)	FP(b) \$3,858.00 + 0.61/m ³
	Large ($> 200 m^3$)	FP(c) \$13,248.00 + 1.12/m ³
Environmental Projects		EP \$145.00
Fish Timing Window Extension		FTW \$550.00
Red-Line Revisions by CH	Minor (≤ 2 hr. to complete) (% of current fee)	
	Major (> 2 hr. to complete)	\$1,700.00
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Client-Driven Changes (% of current fee)	Minor Changes to applications in progress	35%
	Major Changes to applications in progress	75%
	Minor Changes to approved permits	50%
	Major Changes to approved permits (new permit required)	100%
Technical Resubmissions	Percentage of current fee for each additional technical submission after 1 st resubmission	50%
Additional Site Visit (Single Residential/Single Farm)		\$247.00
Additional Site Visit (Major; Major scale) (per visit)		\$2,009.00
Agreements	(Note 2)	



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Definitions:

Minor: works are small; no technical studies are required (e.g., accessory buildings less than 20m²; additions less than 50% floor area; on-title agreement not required; generally involving less than 30 m³ of fill; small works such as pond outlets, maintenance dredging of intermittent watercourse and simple culvert replacement; minor repairs /maintenance of shoreline protection works).

Intermediate: works require one technical study or detailed plan; an on-title agreement may be required.

Major: works require more than one technical study; an on-title agreement may be required; multi-disciplinary technical review is required

Major Scale: works are significant in scale/scope/complexity (e.g., major creek realignments; bridge crossings; significant shoreline protection works); technical studies are required; multi-disciplinary technical review is required.

Major Changes: Changes to the nature and extent of the development approved by permit including but not limited to: size, location, footprint, number of dwelling units, use of the building or structure, or grading.

Environmental Projects: Land and water stewardship projects for environmental improvement not associated with compensatory or offsetting requirements/arrangements through other approval processes.

Development: Development is defined in the *Conservation Authorities Act* to mean:

- the construction, reconstruction, erection or placing of a building or structure of any kind (e.g., all buildings, including accessory non-habitable structure such as gazebos, decks, storage sheds, docks, stairs, retaining walls, etc.),
- any change to a building or structure that would have the effect of altering the use or potential use of the building or structure, increasing the size of the building or structure or increasing the number of dwelling units in the building or structure,
- site grading, or;
- the temporary or permanent placing, dumping or removal of any material, originating on the site or elsewhere

Alteration: any works that result in changes to a watercourse, wetland or Great Lakes shoreline.

Interference: any act or instance which hinders, disrupts, degrades or impedes the natural features or hydrologic and ecologic functions of a wetland or watercourse.

General Provisions:

- All applications must be deemed complete including all technical studies and fees before the submission can be processed.
- Pre-consultation to determine the scale and scope of issues and the technical reports/studies required for the application to be deemed complete is encouraged. The applicant is responsible for undertaking required technical reports/studies. Fees determined through the pre-consultation process, including fees noted in formal checklists, are approximate only and based on the fee schedules in place and information available at the time of pre-consultation. The final fee may change at the time of submission if the technical review requirements have changed due to the availability of new information or if the fee schedule has changed subsequent to the pre-consultation.
- Fees charged are for administration purposes and are non-refundable. Permit applications will be closed if additional information/studies have been requested by Conservation Halton and no submissions have been received from the applicant within one year.
- Conservation Halton reserves the right to charge additional fees, at a rate of \$160.00/hr)
- Peer reviews may be required for technical reports, as necessary. The cost of peer review will be charged to the applicant.
- Where an application exceeds one year to process due to other approval processes (e.g., site plan; Niagara Escarpment Development Permit, etc.), it may remain active for a period of two years, if there are no major revisions. Where there are major revisions, a new permit application will be required.
- Except where specifically stated in the fee schedule (e.g., Letter of Permission, Inquiries), permit fees include one site visit. For major or major-scale permits not associated with single residential/single farm applications, the fee includes three site visits. A fee will be charged for additional site visits.
- Permits will be issued for the maximum of two years. Requests for permit issuance beyond the standard two-year time period (up to 5 years) will be considered for large projects such as municipal infrastructure. These permits require approval from the Conservation Halton Board of Directors and will be subject to an additional fee of 50% for each year the permit is valid beyond the standard two-year time period.
- Permit extensions and/or renewals will not be granted. However, applicants may re-apply for re-issuance of a permit for the original approved works in accordance with the most recent technical requirements. An additional fee of 50% of the current fee will be charged for each year the re-issuance of the permit is valid (up to two years). An expired permit is not valid. A new permit is required for any work which extends beyond the expiry date at the current fee rate.
- Permits are issued to current landowners and cannot be transferred to new owners. A change in ownership will require the submission of a new, complete permit application.
- In areas under the jurisdiction of the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC), Conservation Halton cannot issue a permit under Ontario 162/06 until a NEC Development Permit or Exemption Letter has been issued.
- Any dispute of fee calculations that cannot be resolved through consultation with Conservation Halton's, Director of Planning and Regulations, and/or CAO's office, can be appealed to the Board of Directors:

Notes

1. Letters of Permission are issued for certain activities adjacent to wetlands as per Policies 2.39.4 and 2.40.4 in the *Policies and Guidelines for the Administration of Ontario Regulation 162/06 and Land Use Planning Policy Document (as amended)* **or** for minor works located within the regulated area but outside of the flood or erosion hazard that are less than 10 m² and require a municipal building permit, but no site visit or technical review.
2. **Restoration Agreements** will be applied where violations can be fully removed from the regulated area. An administration fee based on the current applicable category plus a 100% surcharge will be charged, except for fill removal, where an administration fee equal to the base permit application fee for fill placement will be charged. **Compliance Agreements** will be applied for violations that can meet Conservation Halton policies and regulatory requirements. An administration fee based on the current applicable category fee plus a 100% surcharge will be charged.