

FEE SCHEDULE FOR PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY LICENSES AND PERMITS
Effective February 1, 2023

APPLICATIONS

Application Fees \$1,000

A \$1,000 fee is required for new issuances, renewals, and amendments of the following: Licenses (pipelines, transmission, or communication lines), Surface Site Licenses, Marine Construction Permits (e.g., for docks, dredging, bulkheads, moorings, etc.), Dredged Material Placement Agreements, Temporary Access Licenses, Seismic Exploration and other Right-of-Entry Letters, including transfers, assignments, name changes, and other amendments.

As-Built Deposit Fee \$10,000

A \$10,000 deposit for “As-Built” drawings is required for all new and alteration construction work for licensed and permitted improvements. Such deposit will be refunded when acceptable “As-Built” drawings are furnished to the Port Authority as required in the license/permit, or if the applicable work project is canceled. If “As-Built” drawings have not been furnished within one year of completion of project installation, the \$10,000 deposit will be forfeited to the Port Authority.

LICENSES

See below. Provided that the Port Authority reserves the right to charge lease rates, rather than license fees, for pipelines, transmission lines, or communication lines on or crossing Port Authority terminals.

Application Fee plus the license rate described below.

Pipelines Petroleum/Chemical¹	Rate per LF	Minimum, per line per crossing
8" and under	\$9.64	\$4,772.00
Over 8" but not over 16" diameter	\$11.57	\$5,727.00
Over 16" but not over 32" diameter	\$21.21	\$7,953.00
Over 32" but not over 48" diameter	\$33.74	\$14,316.00
Over 48" but not over 64" diameter	\$46.28	\$17,497.00
Over 64" but not over 80" diameter	\$60.73	\$20,678.00
Over 80" but not over 96" diameter	\$74.23	\$24,450.00
96" and greater	\$86.76	\$30,223.00

¹ The following provisions are applicable to petroleum and chemical pipeline licenses only:

A. **Terms:** Upon the licensee’s request, newly issued or renewal petroleum and chemical pipeline licenses may run for terms of up to thirty years, with payment being due at 10-year intervals (in years 1, 11, and 21) and rate adjustments in year 11 and year 21 based on the then-prevailing license rate as determined below.

B. **Rate Adjustments:**

i. The Port Authority shall maintain the license rates for petroleum and chemical pipeline licenses as prescribed in this Fee Schedule through December 31, 2029.

ii. The rates for new or renewal petroleum and chemical pipeline licenses would be adjusted beginning January 1, 2030 and on January 1 of each following year of the term of the license, based upon the July CPI of the prior calendar year.

iii. Rate adjustments under No. 2(b) above would be not less than 2.5% or more than 6%.

Pipelines Non-Petroleum / Non-Chemical² (e.g. water lines, conduits, etc.)	Rate per LF	Minimum, per line per crossing
8" and under	\$3.85	\$1,902.00
Over 8" but not over 16" diameter	\$5.29	\$2,167.00
Over 16" but not over 32" diameter	\$10.07	\$4,164.00
Over 32" but not over 48" diameter	\$16.84	\$6,866.00
Over 48" but not over 64" diameter	\$22.84	\$8,399.00
Over 64" but not over 80" diameter	\$30.28	\$10,753.00
Over 80" but not over 96" diameter	\$36.99	\$13,108.00
96" and greater	\$37.62	\$15,465.00

Electrical Transmission / Distribution / Communication Lines²	Rate per LF	Minimum, per line per crossing
12KV / Communication	\$3.85	\$1,902.00
35KV	\$4.46	\$2,094.00
69KV	\$4.61	\$2,284.00
138KV	\$5.01	\$2,474.00
345KV	\$5.37	\$2,665.00
Wooden support poles	\$250.00	each
Steel towers	\$1,000.00	each

OTHER

Application Fee plus the license rate described below.

Type	Rate	Unit	Minimum
Surface Site Licenses (e.g. valve sites, road grade crossings, pipe bridges, access)	\$4.86	per sq. ft.	\$8,016.00
Dredged Material Placement Agreements	\$4.12	per cubic yard	NA
Seismic Exploration (Right-of-Entry Letter) 3D	\$25.00	per acre	\$2,475.00
Seismic Exploration (Right-of-Entry Letter) 2D	\$2,475.00	per mile	\$2,475.00
Barge Fleeting	See separate rate schedule		

DELINQUENT RENEWAL FEES

The Licensee/Permittee must apply to renew its License before expiration (renewal notices are a courtesy only).

For delinquencies of 30 days or less, the greater of 5% of the License Fee or \$25.00
For delinquencies of more than 30 days, the greater of 10% of the License Fee or \$50.00

² The following provisions are applicable to non-petroleum and non-chemical pipelines, electrical transmission/distribution, communication, and surface site licenses only:

A. **Terms:** Upon the licensee's request, newly issued or renewal non-petroleum and non-chemical pipeline, electrical transmission/distribution, and surface site licenses may run for terms of up to thirty years, with payment being due at 10-year intervals (in years 1, 11, and 21) and rate adjustments as determined below.

B. **Rate Adjustments:** The rates for new or renewal non-petroleum and non-chemical pipeline, electrical transmission/distribution, and surface site licenses will be adjusted on January 1 of each year, for the term of the existing licenses and new licenses, based upon the July CPI of the prior calendar year.