

227.487 Fees for electrical inspections.

Except where other rules are adopted by a city or county, the following reporting and fee requirements shall apply to electrical inspections of residential buildings and single-family dwellings:

- (1) The inspector shall complete a report for each inspection. One (1) copy of the report shall be given to the owner of the electrical installation or his or her representative at the time the inspection fees are paid. A second copy of the report shall be sent to the department no later than one (1) week after the inspection is completed. The report shall include but is not limited to the following:
 - (a) The address of the dwelling inspected;
 - (b) The number of rooms, number of receptacles and number of switch boxes inspected;
 - (c) Number of code violations, if any;
 - (d) A description of each code violation, and recommended change to correct the violation;
 - (e) The date and time of day the inspection commenced;
 - (f) The time, in hours and minutes, required for the inspection;
 - (g) The number of miles and hours and minutes of travel time incurred by the inspector for that inspection, if mileage and travel charges are added to the inspection fee; and
 - (h) The amount charged for the inspection, separated into an amount for mileage, if any, and the amount for travel time, if any, and the amount charged for the actual inspection.
- (2) The maximum inspection fee shall be an amount equal to the wage paid to a majority of master electricians in the region in which the inspection is made, multiplied by the time required to conduct the inspection. This rate shall not be applied to travel time to and from the inspection.
- (3) An inspector may charge, in addition to the inspection fee, an amount for necessary travel to and from the inspection site. The mileage rate charged shall not exceed the amount per mile allowed to state employees, and the inspector shall charge no more than ten dollars (\$10) per hour for travel time. If two (2) or more inspections are made during one (1) trip, then the cost of travel shall be divided between the inspections made. In no case shall an inspector charge more than once for the same trip, or charge for mileage or time not actually expended.
- (4) Each inspector shall furnish bond of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) with surety satisfactory to the department.
- (5) The department shall design reporting forms which meet the requirements of subsection (1) of this section, and provide these forms to electrical inspectors. The department shall promulgate administrative regulations to administer the requirements of this section.
- (6) Nothing in this section is intended to limit the right of cities or counties to set fees or adopt rules for electrical inspections which are different from those specified in subsection (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section.

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Legislative Research Commission Note (6/29/2017). This statute was amended by 2017 Ky. Acts chs. 3 and 169, which do not appear to be in conflict and have been codified together.