

# NOTICE

## IMPORTANT DBPR AND DCA SURCHARGE CHANGES



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### EFFECTIVE ON ALL PERMITS ISSUED 10/1/10

Effective October 1, 2010, The Department of Community Affairs and The Department of Business and Professional Regulation have changed the method for assessing building surcharge fees. Section 553.721 of the Florida Statute requires Building departments to collect surcharge fees and remit the funds to these agencies.

The method currently used is calculated on square footage for under-roof space. This change means that ALL BUILDING PERMITS, i.e., building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, etc. will be assessed a surcharge of 1.5% of the PERMIT FEE for both DBPR and DCA. The minimum will be \$4.00 (\$2.00 for each agency).

### ALL PERMITS ISSUED ARE SUBJECT TO SURCHARGES

Current DCA rate through 9-30-10	Effective DCA rate 10-01-10
<p>.005% per square foot under-roof space on all new building. Additions, alterations, or renovations to existing buildings is calculated on square footage being added, altered or renovated.</p> <p><b>No minimum surcharge.</b></p>	<p>1.5% of <u>permit fees</u> associated with the enforcement of the Florida Building Code. Surcharge fees to be collected on all building permits, i.e., building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, etc.</p> <p><b>Minimum surcharge of \$2.00.</b></p>

Current DBPR rate through 9-30-10	Effective DBPR rate 10-01-10
<p>.005% per square foot under-roof space on all new building. Additions, alterations, or renovations to existing buildings is calculated on square footage being added, altered or renovated.</p> <p><b>No minimum surcharge.</b></p>	<p>1.5% of <u>permit fees</u> associated with the enforcement of the Florida Building Code. Surcharge fees to be collected on all building permits, i.e., building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, etc.</p> <p><b>Minimum surcharge of \$2.00.</b></p>