

# Building Regulation Charges

*The Building (Local Authority Charges) Regulations 2010  
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## Table A

Standard charges for:

[New housing \(up to 300m<sup>2</sup> floor area\) or](#)

[New dwellings formed by conversion or change of use](#)

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## Building Notice

No. of Dwellings	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
1	600.00	720.00
2	835.00	1,002.00
3	1,020.00	1,224.00
4	1,205.00	1,446.00
5	1,390.00	1,668.00

## Full Plans Application

No. of Dwellings	Plan Deposit Charge		Inspection Charge		Total Charge	
	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
1	180.00	216.00	420.00	504.00	600.00	720.00
2	230.00	276.00	605.00	726.00	835.00	1,002.00
3	280.00	336.00	740.00	888.00	1,020.00	1,224.00
4	330.00	396.00	875.00	1,050.00	1,205.00	1,446.00
5	380.00	456.00	1,010.00	1,212.00	1,390.00	1,668.00

For more than 5 dwellings or if the floor area of the dwelling exceeds 300m<sup>2</sup>, the charge is individually determined.

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## Table B

Standard charges for:

### Certain small buildings, extensions, and alterations to dwellings

*Table B: Where work comprises more than one domestic extension the total internal floor areas of all the extensions shown on the application may be added together to determine the relevant charge. Please note however, the area of loft conversions may not be aggregated to an extension, but a 50% discount can be applied. If the extension(s) exceed 100m<sup>2</sup> or three storeys in height, then Table D applies (subject to a minimum plan charge equal to a minimum build cost of £100,000).*

### Category 1: Extensions to dwellings

#### **Building Notice**

Floor Area	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Internal floor area not exceeding 5m <sup>2</sup>	325.00	390.00
Internal floor area over 5m <sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 40m <sup>2</sup>	400.00	480.00
Internal floor area over 40m <sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 70m <sup>2</sup>	500.00	600.00
Internal floor area over 70m <sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 100m <sup>2</sup>	650.00	780.00

#### **Full Plans Application**

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	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Internal floor area not exceeding 5m <sup>2</sup>	125.00	150.00	200.00	240.00	325.00	390.00
Internal floor area over 5m <sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 40m <sup>2</sup>	150.00	180.00	250.00	300.00	400.00	480.00
Internal floor area over 40m <sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 70m <sup>2</sup>	150.00	180.00	350.00	420.00	500.00	600.00
Internal floor area over 70m <sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 100m <sup>2</sup>	150.00	180.00	500.00	600.00	650.00	780.00

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## Category 2: Garages and carports

### **Building Notice**

Erection or extension of detached or attached building or an extension to a dwelling:	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
which consists of a garage, carport, or both, having a floor area not exceeding 60m <sup>2</sup> in total and is intended to be used in common with an existing building and the conversion of an attached garage into a habitable room	300.00	360.00

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Erection or extension of detached or attached building or an extension to a dwelling:	Plan Deposit Charge		Inspection Charge		Total Charge	
	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
which consists of a garage, carport, or both, having a floor area not exceeding 60m <sup>2</sup> in total and is intended to be used in common with an existing building and the conversion of an attached garage into a habitable room	100.00	120.00	200.00	240.00	300.00	360.00

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### Category 3: Loft Conversions and dormers

#### **Building Notice**

Formation of a room in roof space, including means of access thereto. Fees for lofts greater than 40m <sup>2</sup> are to be based on the cost of work. The fee cannot be less than shown below:	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Erection of room in roof space with a floor area not exceeding 40m <sup>2</sup> (without dormer)	400.00	480.00
Erection of room in roof space with a floor area not exceeding 40m <sup>2</sup> (with dormer)	450.00	540.00

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	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Erection of room in roof space with a floor area not exceeding 40m <sup>2</sup> (without dormer)	150.00	180.00	250.00	300.00	400.00	480.00
Erection of room in roof space with a floor area not exceeding 40m <sup>2</sup> (with dormer)	150.00	180.00	300.00	360.00	450.00	540.00

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## Table C

Standard charges for:

### Minor alterations to dwellings

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Proposal	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Installation of replacement windows and doors in a dwelling where the number of windows/doors does not exceed 20	100.00	120.00
Underpinning with a cost not exceeding £30,000	250.00	300.00
Controlled Electrical work* to a single dwelling (not carried out in conjunction with work being undertaken that falls within Table B)	250.00	300.00
Renovation of a thermal element i.e. work involving recovering of a roof, replacement of a floor or renovation of an external wall to which L1b applies	100.00	120.00
Formation of a single en-suite bathroom/shower room or cloakroom within an existing dwelling (excluding electrical work)	200.00	240.00
Removal of load bearing wall and insertion of steel beam(s)	150.00	180.00
Installation of heating appliance to a single dwelling, e.g. wood burning stove	200.00	240.00

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Total Plan Deposit and Inspection Charge Combined	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Installation of replacement windows and doors in a dwelling where the number of windows/doors does not exceed 20	100.00	120.00
Underpinning with a cost not exceeding £30,000	250.00	300.00
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Renovation of a thermal element i.e. work involving recovering of a roof, replacement of a floor or renovation of an external wall to which L1b applies	100.00	120.00
Formation of a single en-suite bathroom/shower room or cloakroom within an existing dwelling (excluding electrical work)	200.00	240.00
Removal of load bearing wall and insertion of steel beam(s)	150.00	180.00
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All other work with dwellings will be charged as set out in Table D

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## Table D

Standard charges for:

**All other work not in Tables A, B, C (excludes individually determined charges)**

*Table D: Applicable to all other building work not covered by Tables A, B, C or D. Total estimated cost means an estimate accepted by the local authority of a reasonable cost that would be charged by a person in business to carry out the work shown or described in the application excluding VAT and any professional fees paid to an architect, engineer or surveyor, etc., and also excluding land acquisition costs.*

## Building Notice

Estimated Cost		Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
From	To		
0	1,000	100.00	120.00
1,001	5,000	200.00	240.00
5,001	10,000	250.00	300.00
10,001	20,000	350.00	420.00
20,001	30,000	450.00	540.00
30,001	40,000	550.00	660.00
40,001	50,000	650.00	780.00
50,001	75,000	750.00	900.00
75,001	100,000	850.00	1,020.00

Where it is intended to carry out additional work on a dwelling at the same time as undertaking an extension within Table B, then the charge for this additional work (as indicated in Table D) shall be discounted by 50% subject to a maximum estimated cost of less than £10,000.

Table D continued...

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Estimated Cost		Plan Deposit Charge		Inspection Charge		Total Charge	
From	To	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
0	1,000	100.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	120.00
1,001	5,000	100.00	120.00	100.00	120.00	200.00	240.00
5,001	10,000	100.00	120.00	150.00	180.00	250.00	300.00
10,001	20,000	100.00	120.00	250.00	300.00	350.00	420.00
20,001	30,000	150.00	180.00	300.00	360.00	450.00	540.00
30,001	40,000	150.00	180.00	400.00	480.00	550.00	660.00
40,001	50,000	150.00	180.00	500.00	600.00	650.00	780.00
50,001	75,000	200.00	240.00	550.00	660.00	750.00	900.00
75,001	100,000	200.00	240.00	650.00	780.00	850.00	1,020.00

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#### Notes:

All the above charges are on the basis that any controlled electrical work is carried out by a person who is a member of a registered Competent Person Scheme, if this is not the case an additional charge will apply.

Where the estimated cost of work exceeds £100,000, The Council will individually assess the charge, subject to a minimum plan fee of £250.00 + VAT and inspection fee of £650.00 + VAT

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## Table E

### Other standard charges

Category of Work	Basic Charge	Charge Inc. VAT
Copy of Completion Certificate or Decision Notice	25.00	30.00
Building Regulation Confirmation letter, e.g., letter of exemption	67.50	81.00
Supply of information relating to Building Regulation applications or calculated by hourly rate if greater than 1 hour	67.50	81.00
Service of Section 81 (Building Act 1984): Demolition Counter notice (No VAT)	150.00	150.00



## Explanatory Notes

1.0 Before you build, extend, or convert, you or your agent must advise your local authority either by submitting Full Plans or a Building Notice. The charges payable depends on the type of work, the number of dwellings in a building and the total floor area. The following tables may be used in conjunction with the current scheme to calculate the charges. If you have difficulties calculating the charges, please contact the Building Control Office on 01257 515162.

### 2.0 Charges are payable as follows:

2.1 Should you submit Full Plans you will pay a plan charge at the time of submission to cover their passing or rejection.

2.2 With Full Plans submissions, for most types of work, an inspection charge covering all necessary site visits will be payable following the first inspection.

2.3 Should you submit a Building Notice, the appropriate Building Notice charge is payable at the time of submission and covers all necessary checks and site visits.

2.4 Should you apply for a regularisation certificate, regarding unauthorised building work, commenced on or after 11 November 1985, you will pay a regularisation charge to cover the cost of assessing your application and all inspections. The charge is individually assessed, but typically will be a minimum of 150% greater than the gross Building Notice charge.

3.0 **Table A:** Charges for small domestic buildings e.g., certain new dwelling houses and flats. Applicable where the total internal floor area of each dwelling, excluding any garage or carport does not exceed 300m<sup>2</sup> and the building has no more than three storeys, each basement level being counted as one storey. In any other case, Table D applies.

4.0 **Table B:** Where work comprises more than one domestic extension the total internal floor areas of all the extensions shown on the application may be added together to determine the relevant charge. Please note however, the area of loft conversions may not be aggregated to an extension, but a 50% discount can be applied. If the extension(s) exceed 100m<sup>2</sup> or three storeys in height, then Table D applies (subject to a minimum plan charge equal to a minimum build cost of £100,000).

5.0 **Table C:** Standard charges for minor works to dwellings.

6.0 **Table D:** Applicable to all other building work not covered by Tables A, B, C or D. Total estimated cost means an estimate accepted by the local authority of a reasonable cost that would be charged by a person in business to carry out the work shown or described in the application excluding VAT and any professional fees paid to an architect, engineer or surveyor, etc., and also excluding land acquisition costs.

7.0 All other non-domestic works will be individually determined.

### 8.0 Exemptions/reduction in charges:

8.1 Where plans have been either approved or rejected no further charge is payable on resubmission for substantially the same work.

8.2 Works to provide access and/or facilities for disabled people to existing dwellings and buildings to which the public have access are exempt from charges. In these regulations 'disabled person' means a person who is within any of the descriptions of persons to whom section 29(1) of the National Assistance Act 1948 applied, as that section was extended by virtue of section 8(2) of the Mental Health Act 1959, but not taking into account amendments made to section 29(1) by paragraph 11 of Schedule 13 to the Children Act 1989. The work must be for the sole use of the disabled person.

Except for the regularisation charge, all local authority Building Regulation charges are subject to VAT at 20%.