

1 SNOHOMISH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
2 Snohomish County, Washington

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4 ORDINANCE NO. BOH25-03

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6 RELATING TO HEALTH DEPARTMENT FEES; AMENDING SECTION 1.40.040 AND  
7 ADDING A NEW SECTION TO CHAPTER 1.40 OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH CODE  
8 TO WAIVE VARIANCE APPLICATION FEES FOR UNPLUMBED ESPRESSO  
9 STANDS OPERATING BEFORE MARCH 1, 2022

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11 WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Board of Health has authority to establish fee  
12 schedules for issuing or renewing licenses or permits or for such other services as are  
13 authorized by law and the rules of the state board of health; and

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15 WHEREAS, only city and county elected officials on the board of health may vote  
16 on any decision related to the setting or modification of permit, licensing, and  
17 applications fees; and

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19 WHEREAS, before March 1, 2022, unplumbed espresso stands were allowed to  
20 legally operate in Snohomish County; and

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22 WHEREAS, after March 1, 2022, unplumbed espresso stands require a variance  
23 from the Snohomish County Health Department from plumbing requirements in the  
24 Washington State Retail Food Code (Chapter 246-215 WAC) to continue operation; and

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26 WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Board of Health recognizes the inequity of  
27 now requiring these previously allowed unplumbed espresso stands to pay for a  
28 variance application;

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30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

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32 Section 1. Snohomish County Board of Health Code Section 1.40.040 last amended by  
33 Ordinance No. BOH24-05 on November 12, 2024, is amended to read:

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35 **Section 1.40.040 Food safety fee schedule.**

TITLE	FEE	DESCRIPTION
<b>LATE CHARGE FOR RENEWAL OF ANNUAL PERMITS</b>	\$350.00	Additional charge if annual permit renewal fee has not been received by the Health Department by 5 p.m. on the last business day that the permit is valid.

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Expedited review fee: varies by application type	Varies	Additional fee equal to 50 percent of the standard application review fee. Available for the following submittals: tap room / tasting room plan review, general plan review. May apply to additional Environmental Health fees as approved by the division director on a case-by-case basis. Expedited reviews are available at staff discretion as resources allow and may be declined.
<b>BAKERY</b>		
Establishments selling baked goods ONLY	\$440.00	Annual permit fee
<b>BED AND BREAKFASTS</b>		
Bed and breakfast	\$440.00	Annual permit fee
<b>CAMPGROUNDS / PARKS – FOOD SERVICE</b>		
a) Food service – all year (valid June 1 through May 31) b) Food service – seasonal (no more than six consecutive months)	\$460.00	<b>**USE GENERAL FOOD FEES</b> Seasonal permit fee
<b>CATERER (All Caterers Will Be Permitted Separately)</b>		
a) Low risk	\$440.00	Annual permit fee
b) Medium risk	\$660.00	
c) High risk	\$915.00	
<b>CATERING ENDORSEMENT</b>		
For permitted food service establishments that also offer catering services	\$225.00	Annual permit fee (in addition to general food fee)
<b>FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT PERMIT FEES</b>		

<b>GENERAL FOOD</b>		
Includes but not limited to restaurant (with or without lounge), concession stand, mobile food vehicle, food stand concession, commissary, bakery, caterer, grocery with multiple permits, limited grocery with or without food prep, private club, retail meat dealer, retail fish dealer, tavern with or without food prep, year-round campground/park food service. Additional onsite sewage system review fee and catering endorsement fee may apply.		
LOW RISK PERMIT (All low risk food service establishments)	\$450.00	Annual permit fees
<b>0 – 50 SEATS:</b>		Annual permit fees
a) Medium risk	\$675.00	
b) High risk	\$930.00	
<b>51 – 150 SEATS:</b>		Annual permit fees
a) Medium risk	\$780.00	
b) High risk	\$1,175.00	
<b>151 SEATS OR OVER:</b>		Annual permit fees
a) Medium risk	\$850.00	
b) High risk	\$1,160.00	
<b>FOOD SERVICE OPERATING WITHOUT A PERMIT</b>		
Double prescribed permit fee	**	<b>**Double permit fees</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICE WITH ONSITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL REVIEW</b>		
Review	\$225.00	Fee charged at time of annual food service permit fee. Paid review fee and current on-site sewage monitoring and maintenance report are required prior to annual permit issuance.
<b>FOOD WORKER CARDS</b>		
a) Two-year initial or three-year renewal	\$10.00	Food worker card fees are set by the state at \$10.00
b) Replacement for lost card	\$10.00	
<b>MOBILE FOOD VEHICLE (All Mobile Food Vehicles Will Be Permitted Separately)</b>		
<b>See Section 1.40.045: Mobile food vehicle permit fee credit during permit review</b>		
a) Low risk	\$440.00	Annual permit fees
b) Medium risk	\$660.00	Annual permit fees
c) High risk	\$915.00	Annual permit fees
<b>PLAN REVIEWS</b>		

a) Tap room / tasting room / vending machine	\$225.00	Plan review and pre-operation inspection fee
b) tap room / tasting room / vending machine – Expedited review fee	\$340.00	expedited plan review and pre-operation inspection fee
c) General plan review	\$1,000.00	Plan review and pre-operation inspection fee
d) Multiple permit facility (additional permits)	\$215.00	Each additional permit
e) General plan review – expedited review fee	\$1,500.00	Expedited plan review and pre-operation inspection fee
f) Change of ownership	\$455.00	Charged with the change in UBI number.
g) Variance without hazard analysis critical control point (HACCP) review	\$225.00	For new plan reviews, charged in addition to plan review fee. <u>See SCBHC 1.40.046 for information on variance application fees waived for unplumbed espresso stands.</u>
h) Hazard analysis critical control point (HACCP) review (when required by chapter 246-215 WAC for menu items) with or without variance.	\$2,100.00	For new plan reviews, charged in addition to plan review fee. Lab Fees are additional.  HACCP review is required for some types of food or food processing methods.
i) Remodel / plan revision	\$275.00	For alteration to existing establishment or revision of approved plan. Includes pre-operation inspection.
j) Plan review consultation (on and/or off site)	\$225.00	
<b>REINSPECTION AND REINSTATEMENT FEES</b>		
a) Office conference (includes reinspection)	\$380.00	Reinspection and office conference fee
b) Reinstatement following closure by Health Officer's order	\$450.00	Reinstatement fee
c) Food service establishment reinspection	\$250.00	Reinspection fee. applies to all food service operations.
<b>SCHOOL – FOOD SERVICE (VALID SEPT 1 THROUGH AUG 31)</b>		
a) Central kitchen, no direct food service	\$710.00	Annual permit fee

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b) Satellite kitchen with food service	\$450.00	Annual permit fee
c) School kitchen with food service	\$535.00	Annual permit fee
		New permits may be prorated to correspond with existing permit expiration dates.
<b>SCHOOL / YOUTH ACTIVITY CONCESSION STAND</b>		
a) Low risk	\$175.00	Annual permit fees
b) Medium risk	\$285.00	Annual permit fees
c) High risk	\$405.00	Annual permit fees
<b>TEMPORARY FOOD SERVICES</b>		
<b>LATE FEE CHARGE</b>	\$80.00	<b>Non-refundable</b> fee charged if the application is received between one and 13 days prior to the event. Payments received online after 9:00 p.m. PST will be received the following business day.
Temporary Food Services Operating Without a Permit	**	<b>**Double Permit Fee</b>
<b>LOW RISK</b>		
a) Single event – Must meet WAC 246-215-01115	\$100.00	Event permit fee
b) Recurring event – WAC 246-215-01115, farmers’ market only	\$200.00	Seasonal temporary permit fee associated with a farmers’ market, defined as five or more Washington growers who assemble at a defined physical location for the purpose of selling products that they have grown, raised, and may have processed, directly to consumers.
c) Recurring low risk – Additional location, farmers’ markets only	\$100.00	
<b>MEDIUM RISK</b>		
a) Single event – Must meet WAC 246-215-01115	\$145.00	Event permit fee
b) Recurring event WAC 246-215-01115, farmers’ markets only	\$290.00	Seasonal temporary permit fee associated with a farmers’ market, defined as five or

c) Recurring medium risk – Additional location, farmers’ markets only	\$145.00	more Washington growers who assemble at a defined physical location for the purpose of selling products that they have grown, raised, and may have processed, directly to consumers.
<b>HIGH RISK</b>		
a) Single event – Must meet WAC 246-215-01115	\$250.00	Event Permit Fee
b) Recurring event – WAC 246-215-01115, farmers’ markets only	\$650.00	Seasonal temporary permit fee associated with a farmers’ market, defined as five or more Washington growers who assemble at a defined physical location for the purpose of selling products that they have grown, raised, and may have processed, directly to consumers.
c) Recurring high risk – Additional location, farmers’ markets only	\$325.00	Washington growers who assemble at a defined physical location for the purpose of selling products that they have grown, raised, and may have processed, directly to consumers.
<b>BLANKET EVENT PERMIT</b>	\$620.00	Judged cooking events
<b>FOOD DEMONSTRATOR PERMIT (Non-Time/Temperature Control for Safety Foods Only)</b>		
a) Single event	\$70.00	Event permit fee
b) Recurring event – Must meet WAC 246-215-01115	\$135.00	Annual permit fee
<b>EXEMPT FROM PERMIT</b>	\$60.00	Only processing fee required
<b>VENDING MACHINES</b>		
With time/temperature control for safety foods – Risk Level – Low	\$225.00	Annual permit fee

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2 Section 2. A new section is added to Chapter 1.40 of the Snohomish County  
3 Board of Health Code to read:

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5 **1.40.046 Variance application for unplumbed espresso stands.**

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7 An owner of an unplumbed espresso stand, as defined under SCBHC 3.05.050, that  
8 was legally operating on or before March 1, 2022, is not required to pay an application  
9 fee when seeking a variance from plumbing requirements listed in chapter 246-215  
10 WAC. Only one variance fee shall be waived for each unplumbed espresso stand  
11 eligible under this section. When an unplumbed espresso stand having a current annual  
12 food service establishment permit is sold or otherwise transferred to a new owner, the  
13 new owner shall either apply for and obtain a variance from the department with  
14 payment of any applicable application fees or plumb the stand as required by code to

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1 continue operation. Unplumbed espresso stands without a current annual food service  
2 establishment permit are ineligible for a variance to plumbing requirements.

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4 This variance application fee will only be waived for variance applications submitted to  
5 the department on or before December 31, 2026. Any application submitted after  
6 December 31, 2026, shall be subject to the variance application fee established in  
7 SCBHC 1.40.040.

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9 Section 3. No applications for new unplumbed espresso stands will be accepted  
10 by the Snohomish County Health Department after the adoption of this ordinance.

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12 Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any  
13 person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application  
14 of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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17 PASSED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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20 SNOHOMISH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
21 Snohomish County, Washington

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26 Chairperson

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31 Clerk of the Board

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45 Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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