

FEES FOR APPLICATIONS TO ALTER LAKES, STREAMS AND WETLANDS
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State law requires that the Department charge a fee for processing your request to make changes to public waters and wetlands. Each permit application will list the correct fee and any other surcharge(s) that may be applicable to your project. The Department begins review of each application for completeness only after the correct fee is received. Application forms are available and can be downloaded from the Department's web site at <http://dnr.wi.gov/permits/water/> .

WATERWAY PERMIT FEES

Waterway General Permit (includes \$3.00 Web Site Information Fee)	\$303
Waterway Individual Permit (includes \$3.00 Web Site Information Fee)	\$603
Expedited Decision Process	\$2,000 per county

WETLAND PERMIT FEES

Residential, Commercial, Industrial Wetland General Permit that affects less than or equal to 0.1 acre of wetland (includes wetland restoration surcharge fee)	\$700
Residential, Commercial, Industrial Wetland General Permit that affects more than 0.1 acre and up to 10,000 square feet (0.23 acre) of wetland (includes wetland restoration surcharge fee)	\$800
All other Wetland General Permits	\$500
Wetland Individual Permit	\$800
Expedited Decision Process	\$2,000 per county

OTHER FEES

Request for Declaratory Ruling	\$800
Boathouse Certification	\$300
Municipal bulkhead line approval	\$500
Dam construction or modification approval	\$500
Dam transfer ownership and/or financial responsibility approval	\$500
Water level or flow order	\$500
Fee to have DNR publish class 1 notice- only available if you apply electronically	\$130

A fee is required for each permit. If a project requires one waterway General Permit and one wetland Individual Permit the correct fee would be \$1,103 (\$303 + \$800).

After-the-fact applications for permits or approvals submitted after work has been commenced or completed require **twice** the usual fee. Projects started or completed without obtaining the appropriate permits are subject to enforcement actions (e.g. monetary forfeitures, mandatory abatement, mandatory restoration).

An optional **expedited decision process** is also available for an additional fee. The expedited permit review guarantees a decision by a mutually agreed-upon date between the applicant and the Department. If you wish to request an expedited permit review, submit a letter with your application describing the time frame that will meet your needs, along with a check for the applicable permit fee and a separate check for the supplemental fee. Supplemental fees are based on county boundaries. So if your project involves alterations to the landscape in 2 separate counties your supplemental fee will be doubled. Within twenty days we will respond in writing, specifying any additional information needed for an expedited decision on your proposal, and the date by which we can make a decision once the application is complete.

Refunds of standard fees are made only if the applicant withdraws their application and requests a refund before we determine that the application is complete.

The following projects do not require fees:

- Waterway projects **funded in whole or in part** by any Federal or State agency.
- Dam or wetland projects **conducted by** any Federal or State agency.