

Surcharge ... **Special Notice:**

Major Changes to the Surcharge System

Department of Community Affairs and Department of Business And Professional Regulation Surcharge

Effective **October 1, 2010**, the method for assessing building surcharge fees will change from the current one-half cent per square foot to 1.5 percent of permit fees associated with the enforcement of the Florida Building Code. Building departments will be required to collect the 1.5 percent fee on all building permits, i.e., building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, etc. for DCA and DBPR. The minimum fee collected on any permit will be \$2.00 dollars for each department.

This will result in a total increase of 3 percent or a minimum \$4.00 dollars per permit.

You may read the provisions of the surcharge at Florida Statutes 553.721 and 468.631.

For questions concerning this mandate, please contact the Hillsborough County Building Official, Wayne A. Francis, at 813-276-8334.

Thank You.
Wayne A. Francis
Hillsborough County Building Official