The Santa Monica Fire Department is required to conduct annual fire inspections on both multi-family residential and commercial properties and is allowed to charge for those inspections per the California Health and Safety Code.

Fire Inspection Fees for fire inspections of both multi-family residential and commercial properties have been increased starting July 1, 2010. A fee study was conducted in the Spring of 2010, and fees were increased as a result of the study.

Fees charged for fire inspections in the City of Santa Monica were found to be low in comparison to comparably sized cities and even after the increase, are still lower than the comparable cities.

**Please note:** Beginning July 1, 2011, **ALL** commercial businesses will be inspected by a member of the Fire Dept. The business owner will receive a bill for this inspection. This new practice will ensure a higher level of fire and life safety for the entire Santa Monica Community.

[For Fee Information click here]