



Regional Air Pollution Control Agency
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UPDATED Facility Annual Local Fee FAQ

Why am I being invoiced?

RAPCA receives state and federal funding for the air program which requires a local match. The local match is mostly made up of industrial user fees. Anyone with an air permit or subject to state industrial air regulations in RAPCA's six counties, Montgomery, Darke, Clark, Greene, Miami, and Preble, will be invoiced a local user fee. Historically, not all counties were invoiced. As of the 2020 billing cycle, all facilities in RAPCA's jurisdiction are being invoiced.

For what year are you invoicing?

We invoice for the previous calendar year. For example, invoices sent in the 2022 billing cycle are for 2021.

When do the NEW fees go into effect?

As of 2020, RAPCA is invoicing all counties under the new fee schedule.

The new fee schedule can be found at <https://rapca.org/program-documents/58-montgomery-county-fee-schedule-final>

How did you determine the new fee?

Under the new fee schedule, RAPCA charges \$125 per permitted emissions unit, or permit by rule source, plus additional charges if the facility is subject to federal rules, is a synthetic minor or Title V facility, or is an electric utility.

Permit by rule facilities are charged a \$100 flat fee.

Fee breakdown is available upon request.

Why did my fee go up?

The fee is assessed annually based on the information we have on file on December 31, so if you received a new air permit your fee may increase and if you removed equipment down your fee may decrease.

How can I pay?

We accept electronic payments here.

<https://payments.lexisnexis.com/oh/co/daytonmontgomery/rapca>

Customers of this site will be charged a non-refundable processing fee of the greater of \$2.50 or 4.5% for credit card payments or \$1.50 for electronic check payments. Credit card payments can also be made by contacting RAPCA directly at fees@rapca.org; RAPCA will then contact you and take the payment over the phone. The same credit card processing fees apply to phone payments.

Checks made payable to **Public Health Dayton & Montgomery County** can be mailed to:

Public Health Dayton & Montgomery County
Regional Air Pollution Control Agency
117 S. Main St
Dayton, Ohio 45422

When is the fee due?

The fee is due 30 to 45 days after invoicing. After that a 25% late charge *may* be applied to unresponsive facilities. If you will not be able to submit payment within 45 days, please contact our office at fees@rapca.org or 937-225-4435. The best way to reach us is via email.

Why are you allowed to charge a late fee?

Under Ohio Revised Code 3709.09... "If payment of a fee established ... is not received by the day on which payment is due, the board of health shall assess a penalty. The amount of the penalty shall be equal to twenty-five per cent of the applicable fee."

I sold or closed my business, how do I get the file updated? Do I have to pay the fee?

First, we need to have the new owner transfer the facility into their name. Then we can remove you from the system. If you provide us with the name and contact information for the buyer, the process is faster, but cannot be completed until the new owner submits the necessary paperwork. The fee is assessed based on the information we have on file on December 31 of the previous year, so unless the file is updated prior to that date, you will be responsible for the fee.

I removed process equipment, can you reduce my fee?

Maybe, if the process equipment had an air permit or was subject to air regulations. If that is the case, please send us the Ohio EPA emissions units identification number (for example, B00X, P00X, etc.), shutdown date and final disposition of the equipment (for example, was the equipment scrapped or sold). We may send an inspector out to confirm the status. Once the equipment has been removed from our list the fee will be reduced for the following year. Invoicing is based on all the equipment we have on record on December 31.

What happens if I can't afford to pay?

There is a hardship exemption process that you must apply for annually by submitting a letter of

request explaining your situation and submitting some tax records. Contact us via email at fees@rapca.org for a list of information that needs to be submitted.

I own a gas station and I decommissioned, why am I being invoiced?

Gasoline dispensing facilities that were once subject to stage II vapor controls are now permitted with a permit by rule for their Stage I vapor controls. Permit by rule facilities are assessed a fee of \$100 annually.

I lease the business to another party; can you invoice that person?

No, we invoice the owner on record with Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control.

Last year I received one invoice but this year I received multiple invoices, why the change?

Our internal process for generating the invoices has changed, we are only combining invoices for those owners responsible for 10 or more facilities. You may combine the payments even if you received multiple invoices.

Can you provide me with a W-9?

You can access a copy of the W-9 at the link below or you can email fees@rapca.org and request a copy.

http://www.rapca.org/datafiles/phdmc_w9.pdf

I still have questions, who should I contact?

Due to current staffing levels, the best way to reach us is to submit questions via email to fees@rapca.org.