



Hudson River - Black River Regulating District

NEW YEAR BRINGS CHANGES FOR GSL PERMIT HOLDERS CONTINUED

Questions regarding the new system can be emailed to permits@hrbrdd.ny.gov – though we ask everyone to be as patient as possible as we roll out the new system and respond to what we expect will be a high volume of inquiries.

Coinciding with the new online system is the first adjustment to access permit fees in two decades. HRBRRD worked closely with the Sacandaga Protection Committee, the Great Sacandaga Lake Association, the Property Owners Association of the Town of Day, the business community and local elected officials in developing the fee schedule, which the Board approved at its regular meeting on September 9, 2020.

The new fee schedule, which represents limited, incremental increases to 2020 fees, applies to both residential and commercial permits, marking the first increase in two decades for residential permits, and nearly 30 years for commercial permits.

The modest increase adopted by the board will allow HRBRRD to continue to fulfill our statutory mission and obligations to downstream beneficiaries, while also continuing to support the use and enjoyment of this remarkable resource by people on and near the Great Sacandaga Lake. Importantly, the important adjustment to permit system revenue will help ensure that HRBRRD can continue to administer the permit system fairly, efficiently, and professionally – and continue to deliver improvements like the new online system.

The new fees increase the additional charge per additional 100 feet of permitted shoreline (greater than 100 feet) from \$20 to \$25, as well as adjusting the baseline fees for annually reissued permits. For example, the annual rate for a permit area 10 feet in length will increase to \$50 from \$43, an area up to 50 feet in length to \$60 from \$48, and an area up to 100 feet in length to \$75 from \$56. The changes also include increases to commercial permit fees, with annual costs for boat slips at marinas and other commercial facilities increasing from \$41 to \$45 per slip.

The fee schedule restores a work permit application processing fee of \$10, and an administrative processing fee for renewals of \$10, which is waived for applicants utilizing the online system.

As we enter this new era for permittees at Great Sacandaga Lake, we look forward to a great 2021 – working closely with stakeholders and permittees on issues of mutual interest and concern.

For a full list of existing and new fees, visit <https://hrbrdd.ny.gov/gsl-permit-system/>