

Contractors Frequently Asked Questions

Does paying the \$4 state-mandated fee issue a certificate?

No. Paying the \$4 state-mandated fee does **not** result in the issuance of a business license certificate. This fee is required by the State of California and is **not a business tax**.

Is the \$4 state-mandated fee the same as a business license tax?

No. The \$4 fee is separate from the business license tax and does **not** fulfill business license requirements.

When do I pay the business license tax under Measure W?

With the passage of Measure W, the business license tax is **assessed when you apply for a permit**, not at the time of paying the \$4 state fee.

How is the business license tax calculated?

The tax amount is **calculated based on the permit valuation** provided with your permit application.

How do I show proof of business license tax payment?

Payment made during the permit process will serve as **proof of payment of the business license tax**.

Does paying the \$4 state fee allow me to pull a permit?

Paying the \$4 state fee alone does not meet business license tax requirements. However, when the state mandated is paid, it allows you to **apply for and pull a permit when needed**.