

### **DFS BILLING POLICY**

Area: Division of Facilities Services Number:

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# I. Purpose

To define billable versus non-billable work performed by the Division of Facilities Services.

# **II. Policy Statement**

The Division of Facilities Services receives funding from multiple sources, including state funds and GO Bonds. Depending on the type of work being performed and the location it is performed in, some or all costs incurred may be the responsibility of the requesting departments and not the Division of Facilities Services.

## III. Exclusions

None.

### **IV. Procedures**

### **Resident Instruction Space**

Resident Instruction (RI) Space is any campus space for which the University receives state funding or GO Bonds. RI space excludes Auxiliary spaces (Dining, Housing, Parking & Transportation, Bookstore, Health Services, Mail Room, Print Shop), and Athletic/Extramural Spaces that do not also house academic functions.

Funding for RI space is provided by the State and covers routine operations, maintenance and repairs. Funding does not cover items such as alterations to spaces; non-fixed asset repairs; non-fixed asset equipment installation or relocation; or repair, replacement or movement of non-academic and non-common area fixtures or furnishings.

Below is a guide to assist you in determining whether a request will be billable to your department. This list is not all-inclusive, and any questions concerning whether your department will incur a charge should be directed to the Service Response Center for your campus.

Item	Facilities Services	Departmental
Building structure – roofs,	X	-
walls, windows, doors, floors,		
hardware		
Building systems – electrical,	X	
plumbing, heating, steam		
lines, air conditioning, fire		
suppression and alarm		
systems, exhaust		
Landscape, grounds,	X	
sidewalks, University-owned		
streets, ponds		
Lighting – excludes lighting	X	
specific to theaters in the		
PAC, Jenkins Hall, Foy		
Building and Fine Arts		
Building		
Elevators	X	
Flooring that meets or	X	
exceeds the duration of		
useful life	V	
Setups for University events	X	
Pest Control Wests and Recycling Costs	X	
Waste and Recycling Costs Custodial Services – non-	^	X
standard		^
Indoor Air Quality Tests	X	
ordered by EHS	^	
Window Blinds – when	X	
broken	^	
Utilities	Х	X
Office and conference room		X
furniture		
Kitchen/breakroom		Х
equipment		
Laboratory equipment, cold		X
boxes, specialized lab		
systems no considered fixed		
assets		
Alteration of space		X
Relocation of furniture not		Х
associated with a renovation		
Classroom furniture,	X	
whiteboards, blackboards		
Wall art and pictures	X	
Painting other than		X
scheduled maintenance		
Changing locks/replacing		X
keys		

Interior building signage updates not associated with a project		Х
Changes to building systems due to the purchase of new		Х
equipment		
Requests for additional		X
power outlets/moving outlets		
Exterior Signage	X	

# **Non-Resident Instruction Space**

All standard facilities operations provided by DFS to non-RI space, excluding utilities, will be charged or billed either through a pre-determined allocation or a monthly bill. Departments occupying non-RI space that will be billed through an allocation include all Auxiliary Services (Housing, Food Services, Parking & Transportation, Health Services, Bookstore, Mail Room, Card Services, Print Shop). Athletics/Extramurals (for spaces not having an academic function), and tenants of University space (based on individual lease agreements) will be billed monthly. In some cases, non-RI space can include the building envelope, infrastructure supply lines from meter locations to trunk lines, and associated parking areas.

# **Method of Billing**

# **Projects**

All projects related to University property, whether designated as RI space or non-RI space, are run through the Facilities Planning, Design and Construction Department within DFS. No project will be initiated without a valid speed chart number and the project must be fully funded at the time the project is initiated. Departments requesting projects are responsible for **all costs** associated with the project, including testing, contingency and office relocations. Departments should be aware that, should a project cross fiscal years, they must account for any additional charges in the new fiscal year budget. Invoices related to projects will be applied directly to the provided speed chart by Financial Accounting. The assigned Project Manager with FPDC is responsible for managing the budget and updating the requestor.

#### Utilities

Utilities are billed to non-RI space and associated departments in one of two ways:

- When separate metering is possible, departments are billed directly for their utility usage. Usage is subsequently tracked by DFS for annual usage reporting to the University.
- 2. When separate metering is not possible, departments are billed on an industry standard cost/sf and associated fees.

## Non-Standard Facilities Operations

All non-standard facilities operations are managed via billable work orders and are tracked for labor (to include overtime when applicable) and materials, and billed through our work order system. Individuals will be billed monthly when all charges are reconciled and the work orders are verified complete. In cases where work is subcontracted to a vendor, a purchase order will be assigned and the department will be asked for a valid speed chart number. Invoices will then be billed directly to that speed chart once work is verified as complete.

Labor rates (standard hourly) are calculated as the average labor rate by trade at the start of each fiscal year.