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## 2024 Device Registration Fee Increase

As required by law, the County Sealer inspects weighing and measuring devices that are used or sold in the county. California Business and Professions Code (BPC) §12240, authorizes the Board of Supervisors of a County, by ordinance, to charge an annual registration fee to recover the costs to perform these duties and specifies the annual registration fees for those businesses. Beginning January 1, 2024, adopted changes in the law will increase the annual registration fees for weighing and measuring devices that are used in the county.

These increases include:

- Business location fee will increase to \$120 per business location.
- The maximum device fee for water submeters and vapor submeters will increase to \$6 and \$10, respectively.
- The maximum device fee for computing scales and electronic counter scales will increase to \$25.
- The fee will increase to \$26 for all other commercial weighing or measuring devices, not specifically listed in law.

The Riverside County Ordinance (RCO) No. 599, authorizes the County Sealer to assess the maximum amount authorized in BPC §12240, for the registration and annual renewal registration of weighing and measuring devices that are used in the county. Accordingly, annual registration fees for 2024 will reflect these increases in annual registration fees.

We recognize the recent economic impacts on regulated businesses, as we continue to support your business continuity and regional economic recovery, we require the resources to provide quality services to all members of the regulated industry.

For more information, visit the “Weights and Measures Registration Forms” drop-down menu at <https://rivcoawm.org/resources/forms>.

Online payments can be made at <https://heartlandpaymentservices.net/WebPayments/AgriculturalCommissioner/bills>.

For further assistance, please contact our office at (951) 955-3045 or [WTMEAS@rivco.org](mailto:WTMEAS@rivco.org).

Sincerely,

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ENCL. 1) RIV CAC 2024 Device Fee Schedule  
2) RCO No. 599 - “Imposing Charges for Annual Registration of Weighing and Measuring Devices”

# Riverside County Agricultural Commissioner's 2024 Device Fee Schedule

Fees are based in accordance with CA Business and Professions Code 12240 and Riverside County Ordinance No. 599

<b>Weighing Devices</b>	<b>Annual Device Fee per Device</b>
<b>Includes a Location Fee of \$120</b>	
Computing Scale (<100 lb capacity) **	\$25
Computing Scale (≥100 < 2,000 lb capacity)	\$50
Counter Scale (<100 lb capacity) **	\$25
Counter Scale (≥100 < 2,000 lb capacity)	\$50
Crane Scale (≥2,000 < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Crane Scale (≥10,000 lb capacity)	\$250
Dormant Scale (<100 lb capacity) **	\$26
Dormant Scale (≥100 < 2,000 lb capacity)	\$50
Dormant Scale (≥2,000 < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Dormant Scale (≥10,000 lb capacity)	\$250
Hanging Scale (<100 lb capacity) **	\$26
Hanging Scale (≥100 < 2,000 lb capacity)	\$50
Hanging Scale (≥2,000 < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Hopper Tank Scale (≥2,000 < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Livestock Scale (≥2,000 lb < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$100
Livestock Scale (≥10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Monorail & Meat Beam Scale (≥100 < 2,000 lb capacity)	\$50
Monorail & Meat Beam Scale (≥2,000 < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Portable Platform Scale (<100 lb capacity) **	\$26
Portable Platform Scale (≥100 < 2,000 lb capacity)	\$50
Portable Platform Scale (≥2,000 < 10,000 lb capacity)	\$150
Portable Platform Scale (≥10,000 lb capacity)	\$250
Prescription/Jewelers Scale	\$80
Railway Scale (≥10,000 lb capacity)	\$250
Vehicle Scale (≥10,000 lb capacity)	\$250
Other Weighing Device**	\$26
<b>Measuring Devices</b>	<b>Annual Device Fee/ Device</b>
<b>Includes a Location Fee of \$120</b>	
Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Meters	\$185
Electric Submeters	\$3
Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE)**	\$26
Fabric, Cordage & Wire**	\$26
Liquefied Propane Gas (LPG) Meters	\$185
Odometers	\$60
Retail Meters**	\$26
Retail Motor Fuel Meters (per grade) **	\$26
Retail Water Meters**	\$26
Liquid Tanks **	\$26
Taxi Meters	\$60
Vapor Submeters	\$10
Vehicle Meters	\$75
Water Submeters	\$6
Wholesale Meters	\$75
Other Measuring Device**	\$26
<b>**Device fee not to exceed \$1,200 per location</b>	

**ORDINANCE NO. 599  
(AS AMENDED THROUGH 599.8)  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE,  
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 599 IMPOSING CHARGES FOR ANNUAL  
REGISTRATION OF WEIGHING AND MEASURING DEVICES.**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, ordains as follows:

**Section 1. TITLE.** This ordinance shall be known as the “Weights and Measures Registration Ordinance of the County of Riverside.”

**Section 2. PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY.** The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a procedure for registering weighing and measuring instruments and to recover the costs of inspecting and testing such instruments pursuant to Section 12210 of the California Business and Professions Code. The authority for this ordinance is Division 5, Chapter 2, Article 2.1 (beginning with Section 12240) of the California Business and Professions Code. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Title 2, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 1, Article 7 (beginning with Section 25120) of the Government Code.

**Section 3. DEFINITIONS.** Unless otherwise specifically provided or required by the next context, certain terms or expressions used herein have meanings as set forth below:

“Weighing and measuring instruments” means “weighing instruments” or “measuring instruments” as each are respectively defined by Section 12500 of the California Business and Professions Code.

“Commercial purposes” shall have the meaning assigned to it by Section 12500 of the California Business and Professions Code.

“Weights and Measures” means the Weights and Measures Division of the County of Riverside.

“Person” shall have the meaning assigned to it by Section 12011 of the California Business and Professions Code.

“Sealer” shall mean the Sealer of Weights and Measures of the County of Riverside and his or her duly authorized agents.

“Single business location” shall mean as defined in Section 12240 of the California Business and Professions Code.

**Section 4. REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE REQUIRED.** No person shall use or operate any weighing or measuring instruments for commercial purposes without having a current Registration Certificate for such instrument. The certificate shall be in addition to any other certificate, license or permit which may be required by the County.

**Section 5. APPLICATION AND ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE.** An application for a registration certificate shall be submitted to the Sealer in the form prescribed by the Sealer. The Sealer may waive the requirement of an application in those cases in which the Sealer has the information and data required by the application. The Sealer shall issue the registration certificate when the Sealer has the required information and data, either by receipt of the application or by any other means, and upon payment of the application fee.

**Section 6. TERM OF CERTIFICATE.** The term of each registration certificate shall be from January 1 through December 31 of each calendar year. Renewal of a registration certificate shall be made in a manner similar to the issuance of the original registration certificate. Registration certificates not renewed by January 31 shall be considered expired until such time as the registration certificate fee and application penalty have been received by the County.

**Section 7. REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE FEES.** The fees for the registration certificate and the annual renewal registration certificate fee shall be assessed at the maximum amount authorized in Section 12240 of the California Business and Professions Code. If the registration or renewal payment is late, there shall also be assessed the late registration penalty fee set forth in Section 8.

**Section 8. NONPAYMENT OF FEES – PENALTY.** To any registration certificate fee not submitted by January 31 of the year for which the fee is due, there shall be added a late fee as follows:

1. To any registration certificate fee paid late between January 31 and March 31 of the year for which the fee is due, there shall be added a penalty fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

2. If a registration certificate fee is not paid by March 31 of the year for which the fee is due, then the registration certificate shall become invalid and any devices still in use shall be labeled out of use by the County until the registration certificate has been reinstated. The registration certificate shall be reinstated only upon payment of the registration certificate fee and the penalty.

**Section 9. QUALIFIED CERTIFICATE HOLDERS.** A registration certificate may be issued to a corporation duly authorized to transact business in this state, or to a person operating under a fictitious name who has complied with all of the provisions of Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 17900) of Part 3 of Division 7 of the California Business and Professions Code. Otherwise, all such certificates shall be issued in the true name of the applicant. Except as above provided, no business, occupation or

activity for which a certificate is required may be conducted under any false or fictitious name. A registration certificate issued to a corporation shall designate such corporation by the exact name which appears in the articles of incorporation of such corporation.

**Section 10. LOST CERTIFICATE.** If a current registration certificate has been lost, the person to whom it was issued may obtain a replacement from the Sealer upon payment of a replacement fee of ten dollars (\$10.00).

**Section 11. TRANSFERABILITY OF CERTIFICATE.** A registration certificate is not transferable from one person to another. Instruments that are to be used on a mobile unit will be registered to one person and each vehicle shall constitute a location.

**Section 12. VIOLATIONS – PENALTIES.** It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provision of this article, or to violate the provisions of any registration certificate granted pursuant to this article. Any person violating any provision of this article or the provisions of any registration certificate granted pursuant to this article, shall be deemed guilty of an infraction or misdemeanor as hereinafter specified. Such person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this article or the provisions of any registration certificate granted pursuant to this article, is committed, continued or permitted. Any person so convicted shall be: (1) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a first violation; (2) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a second violation. The third and any additional violations shall constitute a misdemeanor offense and shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or six months in jail, or both.

Notwithstanding the above, a first offense may be charged and prosecuted as a misdemeanor. Payment of any penalty herein shall not relieve a person from the responsibility for correcting the violation.

## SECTION 2.

This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after adoption.

**Adopted:** 599 Item 3.9 of 07/12/1983 (Eff: 08/11/1983)

**Amended:** 599.1 Item 3.2 of 01/10/1984 (Eff: 02/09/1984)

599.2 Item 3.3 of 12/31/1985 (Eff: 01/30/1986)

599.3 Item 3.2 of 02/21/1989 (Eff: 03/23/1989)

599.4 Item 11.1 of 03/01/1994 (Eff: 03/31/1994)

599.5 Item 8.2 of 08/29/1995 (Eff: 09/28/1995)

599.6 Item 7.4 of 10/21/1997 (Eff: 11/27/1997)

599.7 Item 9.2 of 06/08/2004 (Eff: 07/08/2004)

599.8 Item 9.2 of 05/09/2006 (Eff: 06/08/2006)