

**Jon Lifquist
Kern County
Assessor-Recorder**



FEE SCHEDULE

Effective January 1, 2020

Recorder Annex
1530 Truxtun Ave.
Bakersfield, California 93301
PH 661-868-6400/FX 661-327-3241
Recordings: 8:00 am-3:00 pm
response@kerncounty.com

Hall of Records
1655 Chester Ave.
Bakersfield, California 93301
PH 661-868-6400/FX 661-868-6432
Copies: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Forms and Information:
<http://assessor.co.kern.ca.us>

VITAL STATISTICS / COPIES

COPY HOURS
8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

CASH OR CHECK ONLY
(payable to Kern County Recorder)
DO NOT SEND CASH IN MAIL

Order Online by Credit Card at:
www.vitalchek.com

VITAL RECORDS FEES

Health & Safety Codes 103625, 100430, 103525.5, Welfare & Instns. Code 18966, Penal Code 14251, Family Code 1852

	PUBLIC FEE	GOVT. AGENCY
BIRTH Certificate/Search	\$25.00 ea.	\$19.00 ea.
DEATHS Certificate/Search	\$21.00 ea.	\$21.00 ea.
MARRIAGES Certificate/Search	\$15.00 ea.	\$15.00 ea.
FETAL DEATHS Certificate/Search	\$18.00 ea.	

If no record is found, fees will be kept as required by law for the search, and a Cert. of No Record Found will be issued.

OFFICIAL RECORDS FEES

First Page	GC 27366	\$3.00 per document
Each addl. page		\$0.50
Certification Fee	GC 27364	\$0.50 per document
Maps First Page	GC 66434	\$6.00
Each addl. page		\$3.00

RECORDING — 8:00 AM TO 3:00 PM DAILY

Recording Fees

First page (8½"x11")	GC 27361 et seq.	\$13.00* / \$3.00 ea. addl. pg.
Combined Documents	GC 37361.1	\$13.00* per each addl. title
Penalty fees		
ANY page not 8½"x11"	GC 27361(a)(2)	\$3.00 per every page of document
Maximum size is 8½"x14"	GC 27361.5	
Real Estate Fraud Fee	GC 27388	\$10.00 per document title(s)
Building Homes & Jobs Act Fee*	GC 27388.1	\$75.00 per transaction per parcel per title
Maximum/Cap		\$225.00 per transaction (maximum)
Documentary Transfer Tax	R&T 11911 et seq.	\$0.55 / \$500 or fraction thereof
Maps (Parcel, Tract, Survey, etc.)	GC 27372	\$7.00* per first page / \$3 ea. addl.

*See following page for additional information.

(Recording Fees Continued)

Federal Liens and Releases	CCP 2104	\$23.00 per first page / \$3 ea. addl.
County/State Releases	GC 27361.3	\$20.00 flat fee
Penalty Print (9 vertical lines/in. – 22 horizontal chars./in.)	GC 27361(a)(1)	\$1.00 per document
Additional indexing (previous documents) (Each group of 10 names)	GC 27361.2 GC 27361.8	\$1.00 per reference cited \$1.00 per group of ten

Filing Fees

Preliminary 20-Day Notice*	GC 27361.9	\$71.00
U.C.C. Filings*	GC 12194	\$95.00 (for 1 or 2 pages) \$105.00 (for 3 or more pages)

Copy Fees

NOTE: We do NOT conform copies

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Miscellaneous Fees	
Preliminary Change of Ownership Report (PCOR)	NO FEE
Missing PCOR (when required) R&T 480.3(b)	\$20.00
Returned Check Fee (for any reason)	\$35.00
Survey Monument Fee:	N/A in Kern Co.
Involuntary Lien Fee:	N/A in Kern Co.

***BUILDING HOMES AND JOBS ACT (SB2-2017/AB110-2018) – Government Code 27388.1**

Commencing January 1, 2018, in addition to any other recording fees, a fee of seventy-five dollars (\$75) shall be paid at the time of recording of every real estate instrument, paper, or notice required or permitted by law to be recorded, except those expressly exempted from payment of recording fees, per each single transaction per parcel of real property. The fee imposed by this section shall not exceed two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225). Documents believed to be exempt from paying this fee must cite a valid exemption on the face of the document. The following exemptions may apply:

- GC 27388.1(a)(1): Recorded document is expressly exempted from recording fees (recorded/executed by Govt. agency/IRS).
- GC 27388.1(a)(2): Recorded in connection with a transfer subject to the imposition of documentary transfer tax.
- GC 27388.1(a)(2): Recorded in connection with a transfer of real property that is a residential dwelling to an owner-occupier – NOTE: A Preliminary Change in Ownership Report (PCOR) stating such is required with submission.
- GC 27388.1(a)(1): The fee cap of \$225 reached.
- GC 27388.1(a)(1): Not related to real property.
- GC 27388.1: Recorded in connection with a previous transfer of real property that was subject to documentary transfer tax on _____, in document _____.
- GC 27388.1(a)(2): Recorded in connection with a previous transfer of real property that is a residential dwelling to an owner- occupier; on _____, in document _____.
- GC 27388.1(a)(1): The fee cap of \$225 reached previously on _____, in document number _____.