

To: All Virginia Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company

From: WFG Underwriting Department

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Subject: Recording Fee Increases Effective July 1, 2020

## **CLERK'S FEE INCREASE**

The Clerk's fee for recording all documents conveying or transferring real property increases by \$4.00 effective 1 July 2020. This is comprised of an increase in the Library Fee from \$1.50 to \$3.50 and an increase in the Open Space Preservation Fee from \$1.00 to \$3.00.

## **GRANTOR'S TAX CHANGES IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA**

The current Regional Transportation Improvement Fee remains \$0.15/\$100 until 30 April 2021. At that time the fee **decreases** to \$0.10/\$100.

A new Regional Congestion Relief Fee goes into effect 1 July 2020. The fee is \$0.05/\$100 when the consideration or value of the interest conveyed (whichever is greater) exceeds \$100. This fee increases to \$0.10/\$100 1 May 2021.

**Note 1:** The fees stated here may be contracted to be paid by the grantee; otherwise they are the responsibility of the grantor.

**Note 2:** These fees apply in the Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William, and to the City of Alexandria.

## **GRANTOR'S TAX CHANGES IN HAMPTON ROADS/TIDEWATER AREA**

An additional grantor's tax of \$0.06/100 is applied when the consideration or value of the interest conveyed (whichever is greater) exceeds \$100. This fee applies to ALL recordings.

**Note 1:** The fees stated here may be contracted to be paid by the grantee; otherwise they are the responsibility of the grantor.

**Note 2:** These fees apply in the Cities of Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Virginia Beach.

## Agents are advised to contact their software providers to update their recording charge calculations.

Please note that recordation fees may be calculated via Virginia's website for that purpose, http://ccdeedcalc.courts.state.va.us/

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