

FCC PERMIT APPLICATION AND RENEWAL

- 1. All users MUST have an account to use DPS eServices. Use the following URL to access eServices https://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/account/Login.aspx
- **2.** To create an account, please click on "*Create an Account*" and follow the screen prompts. If you already have a DPS eServices account, log in and go to Step 4. Be sure to use a general or business email address for easy access and renewal.

Log In or Create Account



Please log in below or create an account using this link: <u>Create an Account</u> All users must provide a valid email user account to log in. The program will send all electronic communications to the user's email address.

Once logged in, the system will automatically log you off if your session is idle for more than 60 minutes. You will be re-directed to this log in page and all unfinished work will be lost.

- 3. After you have created your account, you may log into eServices.
- **4.** On the Main page please select "Renew Permit" or "Apply for a New Permit" and then select "Fire Code Compliance."

Online Services - Main	
Please select from one of the following options	
0	Apply for a New Permit
0	Apply for a Permit Revision
0	Make a Payment
•	Renew Permit
0	My Permits
0	Information Request

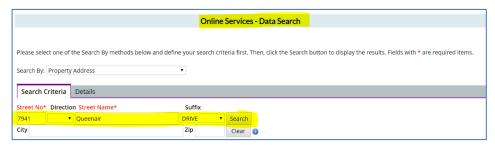
- **5.** For renewals, enter your 6-digit Fire Code Compliance Permit number and use the "*Submit*" button to continue. For new permits, go on to Step 6.
- 6. The Applicant Information screen will load. Enter your information or verify that your information is correct and click on "Check and Continue." Ensure you have entered an after-hours contact for your place of business to be utilized by the Fire Marshal during an emergency. You will come to a summary screen. When you click the Electronic Signature box you will be taken to the fee page where you may pay the application fee. Additional fees for fire protection system endorsements may be added and must be paid prior to permit issuance. You will be notified of any outstanding balance by a permit technician. You may pay these fees with a credit card or electronic check.
- 7. If there are systems endorsements (i.e. fire alarm, wet sprinkler system, etc.) associated with the FCC permit, you must submit the current annual inspection, testing, and maintenance reports through ePlans for review with your FCC permit application. You will receive an email with the "task" to upload documents into ePlans.
- **8.** Once your application is received you will be contacted by DPS staff to schedule your fire and life safety inspection, if required.
- 9. When the application review/inspection has been passed by Fire Code Compliance staff, you will receive your renewed FCC permit from the eServices portal for download. If five business days after a passed inspection and review, an issued FCC permit has not been received, please contact a permit technician and reference your FCC permit number.

FINDING YOUR FCC PERMIT NUMBER AND STATUS

- 1. Go to the DPS website: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS
- 2. Click on the "Data Search" button (found at the top of the page).



3. Enter your address and then click "Search".



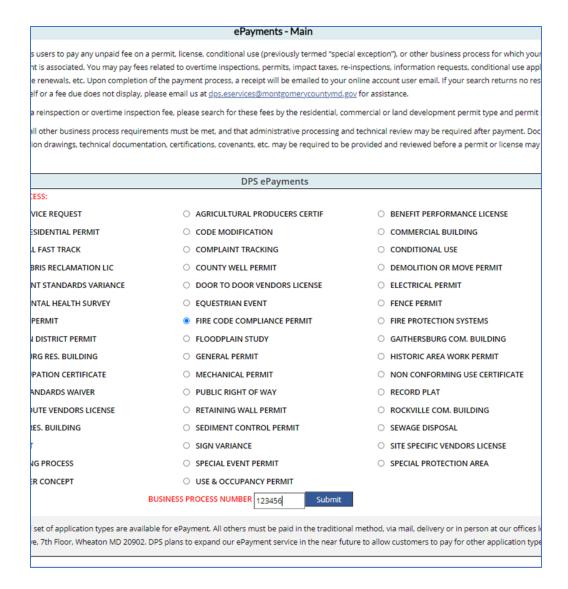
A Fire Code Compliance (FCC) 6-digit permit number will appear with the search results if one exists. This is the permit number needed to renew your permit. Follow the previous steps to renew or apply for your Fire Code Compliance permit. If no FCC permit(s) is shown for your specific address, or it has been voided, or expired for greater than 60 days, you should select "Apply for a New Permit" then "Fire Code Compliance" and enter your information into that form.

PAYING FOR YOUR FCC PERMIT APPLICATION

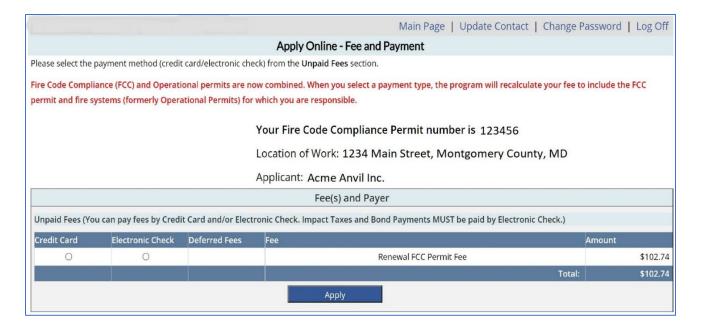
- 1. After application and/or renewal of your FCC permit number, you may make payment using the eServices system. Once you receive your new FCC Permit number, you may follow these steps to make payment for your Fire Code Compliance Permit.
- 2. Log in to the DPS eServices system. See the top of this document for detailed instructions. https://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/account/Login.aspx
- 3. Select "Make a Payment".



4. Select "Fire Code Compliance Permit" and enter your new FCC permit number in the field at the bottom of the page called, "Business Process Number". Press the "Submit" button.

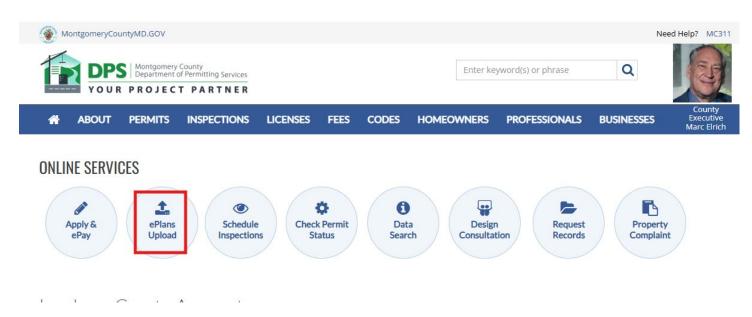


5. On the next screen select your method of payment and follow prompts through to the end of the payment process. If no fee is displayed and this is not a new application, you must apply for renewal in order to load the fee(s). In that case, go back to the main screen and "Renew Permit".



USING ePlans TO UPLOAD DOCUMENTS

1. Go to the DPS website at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dps. Click on "ePlans Upload" to access the DPS Portal.



2. You will be re-directed to the login page. Login to begin or review the video tutorials on the right-hand side of the page. Your login information will be sent to the email address used to apply for the FCC permit.

Welcome to the Montgomery County DPS Portal Login Welcome to Montgomery County Login Page! This new, innovative system will enable you to participate in the electronic plan review process for our city. Our electronic plan review process E-mail: increases efficiencies, reduces costs, and accelerates community development. Password: Your access to and use of Montgomery County, Maryland ("the County") Login Web Portal Sites, as defined below, is subject to all applicable laws and the following "Terms and Conditions" which may be updated by us from Forgot password? time to time without notice to you. In consideration of your use of the Sites, as defined below, you accept, without limitation or qualification, the You need an account to access your projects. Contact the Jurisdiction if you don't following "Terms and Conditions." In addition, when using any particular County services, you will be subject to any posted guidelines or rules applicable to such services that may be posted from time to time. All such guidelines or rules are hereby incorporated by reference into these $\underline{\mathsf{Terms}}$ and Conditions **E-plan Learning** Questions on using e-plan? Click the videos below to get started and look for the Watch Video links to view short clips on how to perform actions or use features in the system. GETTING STARTED||ACCEPTING A TASK||DOWNLOADING APPROVED

- 3. After accepting the task, upload systems reports, files, and records into the "Documents" folder. Documents must be in pdf format. Once you have finished, return the task to DPS. FCC staff will review the submitted items and return the task to you if there are missing items or corrections are needed. If no additional information is needed, the documents will be approved pending a passed fire and life safety inspection.
- 4. All approved documents, such as emergency safety plans and a copy of your approved FCC permit, will be in ePlans available for download in the "Approved" folder.