

## CHAPTER 8.34

## SHERIFF'S FEES FOR OFFICIAL DUTIES

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**8.34.010 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to exercise the authority granted the Board of Benton County Commissioners by RCW 36.18.040(3) and establish the fees that the Benton County Sheriff must collect for official services to cover the costs of administration and operation.  
[Ord. 422 (2005) § 1]

**8.34.020 ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION.** The administration and collection of the fees imposed by this chapter shall be with the office of the Sheriff.  
[Ord. 422 (2005) § 2]

**8.34.030 FEES--ADJUSTMENT.** To continue to meet the costs of administration and operation of providing the services set forth in BCC 8.34.040, such fees shall be adjusted automatically every January 1 to account for any increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI-W) for the Spokane area as of the preceding July report.  
[Ord. 422 (2005) § 3]

**8.34.040 FEES IMPOSED.** As authorized by RCW 36.18.040(3), the following fees for official services of the Sheriff are hereby imposed:

(a) For service of each summons and complaint, notice and complaint, summons and petition, and notice of small claim on one defendant at any location, twenty (20) dollars, and on two (2) or more defendants at the same residence, twenty-five (25) dollars, besides mileage;

(b) For making a return, besides mileage actually traveled, ten (10) dollars;

(c) For levying each writ of attachment or writ of execution upon real or personal property, besides mileage, fifty (50) dollars per hour;

(d) For filing a copy of a writ of attachment or writ of execution with auditor, twenty (20) dollars plus auditor's filing fee;

(e) For serving a writ of possession or restitution without aid of the county, besides mileage, forty (40) dollars;

(f) For serving a writ of possession or restitution with aid of the county, besides mileage, sixty (60) dollars plus fifty (50) dollars for each hour after one hour;

(g) For serving an arrest warrant in any action or proceeding, besides mileage, fifty (50) dollars;

(h) For executing any other writ or process in a civil action or proceeding, besides mileage, fifty (50) dollars per hour;

(i) For each mile actually and necessarily traveled in going to or returning from any place of service, or attempted service, fifty-one (51) cents per mile (increases authorized as published by the General Services Administration) with a ten (10) dollar minimum mileage charge;

(j) For making a deed to lands sold upon execution or order of sale or other decree of court, to be paid by the purchaser, fifty (50) dollars;

(k) For making copies of papers when sufficient copies are not furnished, two (2) dollars for first page and fifty (50) cents per each additional page;

(l) For the service of any other document and supporting papers for which no other fee is provided for herein, twenty-five (25) dollars for one party and thirty (30) dollars for two or more parties at the same residence;

(m) For posting a notice of sale, or postponement, fifteen (15) dollars besides mileage;

(n) For certificate or bill of sale of property, or certificate of redemption, fifty (50) dollars;

(o) For conducting a sale of property, fifty (50) dollars per hour spent at a sheriff's sale;

(p) For notarizing documents, five (5) dollars for each document;

(q) For fingerprinting for non-criminal purposes, fifteen (15) dollars for each person for up to two (2) sets, and three (3) dollars for each additional set;

(r) For mailing required by statute, whether regular, certified, or registered, the actual cost of postage;

(s) For an internal criminal history records check, fifteen (15) dollars;

(t) For the reproduction of audio, visual, or photographic material, to include magnetic microfilming, the actual cost plus personnel time.

[Ord. 422 (2005) § 4; Ord. 518 (2011) § 1]

**8.34.050 SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this chapter is declared unconstitutional, or the applicability thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the constitutionality of the remainder of the chapter and the applicability thereof to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.  
[Ord. 422 (2005) § 5]

**8.34.060 EFFECTIVE DATE.** This chapter shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage and adoption.  
[Ord. 422 (2005) § 6]