

Vacant Building Classifications

As part of the vacant building registration process, the city will divide identified vacant properties into three categories, with varying levels of code infractions. Each category has its own registration and renewal fees associated with it. The more code infractions and risk the building poses, the greater the registration fee.

On the following page is a list of categories, their definitions, and fee structure. The Vacant Building Ordinance (No. 09-12-2023-04) has additional descriptions and can be found at westminstersc.org.

Questions regarding the vacant building registry or categories should be directed to Bob Jones, Code Enforcement Officer, at bjones@westminstersc.org or 864-903-5258.

Category Classifications are as follows. The vacant building ordinance provides additional details:

Category	Description
Category I	No current code violations on the vacant building or property.
Category II	Minimal Code Violations.
Category III	Substantial Code Violations.

Registration Fees for Non-Residential Structures are as follows:

Year	Category I	Category II	Category III
Initial Registration	\$50	\$50	\$50
First Annual Renewal	\$100	\$150	\$200
Second Annual Renewal	\$500	\$750	\$1,000
Third Annual Renewal	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,000
Each year thereafter	\$1,500	\$2,250	\$3,000

Registration Fees for Residential Structures are as follows:

Year	Category I	Category II	Category III
Initial Registration	\$0	\$0	\$0
First Annual Renewal	\$50	\$50	\$100
Second Annual Renewal	\$50	\$250	\$500
Third Annual Renewal	\$50	\$500	\$1,000
Each year thereafter	\$50	\$500	\$1,000

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