S.C. Department of Transportation
Fees and Fines
Fiscal Year 2025-2026
Per Proviso 117.69 of the FY 2026-27 Appropriation Act

Fee Type	Code Section	Title	Purpose	Amount*
Outdoor Advertising Fees and Violations	SECTION 57-25-150	Permits for erection and maintenance of signs; fees	Permit fees for the erection and maintenance of outdoor advertising signs which are used for administrative costs incurred by the Department in maintaining the outdoor advertising program.	$ 148,330
	SECTION 57-25-160	Erection and maintenance of illegal advertising device	Fines are assessed for the erection and maintenance of an advertising device in violation of Section 57-25-140.	
Vegetation Maintenance Agreements	SECTION 57-25-140	Signs permitted along interstate or federal-aid primary highways; customary use exception; removal of vegetation from right-of-ways.	These fees are used by SCDOT to defray costs of vegetation maintenance operations of the outdoor advertising program.	$ -
Specific Service Signing (LOGO)	SECTION 57-25-170	Information signs on highway right-of-way	These funds are used to defray the costs and management of the signs, displays and devices which give specific information in the interest of the traveling public erected and maintained under standards and regulations authorized by the SCDOT Commission.	$ 5,933,730
	SC Code of Regulations 63-338(J)1	Specific Information Service Signing Installation and Maintenance	To provide motorists with business identification and directional information for essential motorist services and for eligible attractions and to eliminate illegal outdoor advertising signs as required by South Carolina Highway Advertising Control Act (Section 57-25-110).	
Oversize Overweight Permits	SECTION 57 3 130	Special permit to operate or move vehicle exceeding maximum size, weight or load or otherwise not in conformity with requirements; fee; discretion in issuing; conditions; security; annual permit; limited applicability of Title 1, Chapter 23	SCDOT charges special permit fees to operate or move vehicle exceeding maximum size, weight or load or otherwise not in conformity with requirements; fee; discretion in issuing; conditions; security; annual permit; limited applicability of Title 1, Chapter 23. These funds are used for defraying the cost of issuing and administering the permits and for other highway purposes.	$ 5,625,039
Freedom of Information Request	SECTION 30-4-10 thru 165	Freedom of Information request through the SCDOT legal department	SCDOT charges for staff time beyond two hours at a flat rate of $20 per hour. Duplication of the first 25 pages from a requested document will not incur any charges. For every page over the 25, the fee will be 10 cents per page.	$ 7,718
Sale of Maps, Plans, Specifications and Proposals	Proviso 84.5 (DOT: Document Fees)	Fees charged for copies and the sale of maps, plans, and proposals	The Department charges for copies of records, lists, bidder's proposals, plans, maps, etc. based upon approximate actual costs and handling costs of producing such copies, lists, bidder's proposals, plans, maps, etc.	$ 31,860
Tolls	SECTION 57-5-1340	Tolls - Additional powers	These funds are collected by SCDOT to support operations of the Cross Island Parkway in Beaufort County.	$ -
Toll Violations	SECTION 57-5-1490	Penalty for failure to pay toll	Any person who uses the Cross Island Parkway and fails or refuses to pay the toll provided therefore shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days, and in addition thereto the Department shall have a lien upon the vehicle driven by such person for the amount of such toll and may take and retain possession thereof.	Legislation applies to Law Enforcement. SCDOT does not receive funds from these fines.
Toll Violations- Administrative Fee	SECTION 57-5-1495	Tolls - Administrative fees	The department or its authorized agent may assess and collect administrative fees of: (1) not more than ten dollars for the first toll violation within a period of one year; (2) not more than twenty five dollars for each subsequent toll violation within a period of one year. These funds are used to support toll operations collections activities.	$ -

*Amounts from the Revenue 406 Report of SCEIS for June 30, 2026