



June 10, 2025

To: Recording Customers

From: Chelan County Auditor's Office, Recording and Licensing Department

## **TWO fee increases effective July 27, 2025**

### **1. The recording fee for the following document types is increasing to \$301.00:**

- Assignment of Deed of Trust
- Appointment or Substitution of Trustee
- Resignation of Trustee

This increase of \$283.00 is at the direction of HB 1858, passed by the 2025 legislature. Current exemptions from both the \$183 document recording surcharge (RCW 36.22.250) and the \$100 Covenant Homeownership Program assessment (RCW 36.22.185) have been removed for these document types. An exemption from the \$2.50 growth management and planning surcharge remains in force, however, bringing the fee for these particular documents to \$301.00 rather than the standard fee of \$303.50.

### **2. The Marriage License fee is increasing to \$157.00.** This \$100 increase is at the direction of HB1498, passed by the 2025 legislature, and funds a Domestic Violence Co-Responder Account and Grant Program. The Program will award matching grants to cities and counties for the purpose of establishing and operating domestic violence co-responder programs.

**Tip for mailing documents close to the effective date:** Customers mailing documents within two weeks of the July 27 effective date may wish to include a separate \$283 check in addition to the current recording fees when submitting Appointment/Substitution of Trustee or Assignment of Deed of Trust documents. If your documents record prior to July 27, we will return any unneeded extra checks.

\*A fee schedule can be found on the reverse of this page. Additional copies can be found on the county website at <https://www.co.chelan.wa.us/auditor/pages/fees>.

**Please help us get the word out – share this news with any interested parties!**



# Recording Fee Schedule

Effective **July 27, 2025** RCW 36.18.010

→→ Non-Standard Documents incur a \$50.00 charge in addition to their recording fees ←←

## Basic Standard Fee:

First Page	<b>\$303.50</b>
Each Additional Recorded Page	<b>\$1.00</b>

↑↑ **Basic Standard Fee applies to all titles** other than titles listed below

## Exceptions to Basic Standard Fee:

Deed of Trust	<b>\$304.50</b>
Assignment of Deed of Trust	<b>\$301.00</b>
Appointment, Substitution, or Resignation of Trustee	<b>\$301.00</b>
Death Certificate	<b>\$18.00</b>
Name Change Order	<b>\$203.50</b>
Federal Tax Lien Notice or Release	<b>\$16.00</b>
Employment Security Lien or Release	<b>\$15.00</b>
Documents recording a federal, state, county, city, or water-sewer district lien, wage lien, or satisfaction of lien	<b>\$18.00</b>
Each Additional Recorded Page	<b>\$1.00</b>

## Multi-Title Recordings:

The sum of the first-page fee for <i>each title</i>	(title1 fee+title2 fee, etc.)
Additional Pages, after the first (counted one time only)	<b>\$1.00</b>

## Surveys and Subdivisions:

Plat First Page	<b>\$425.50</b>
Short Plat First Page	<b>\$423.50</b>
Survey First Page	<b>\$423.50</b>
Each Additional Map Page	<b>\$7.50</b>

## Miscellaneous Recording Fees:

Marriage License	<b>\$157.00</b>
Process Server Registration	<b>\$10.00</b>
Land Corner Record	<b>No Fee</b>
Military Discharge ☆☆ <i>Thank you for your service</i> ☆☆	<b>No Fee</b>

## Copy and Search Request Fees:

Document Copy, each page	<b>\$1.00</b>
Certified Copy, in addition to copy fees above	<b>\$2.00</b>
Map Copy, full size, per page	<b>\$5.00</b>
Search of Records, Per Hour – 1 hour minimum	<b>\$8.00</b>