



EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

FOR THE

***Halton Catholic District School Board
EDC By-Law, 2005***

This pamphlet summarizes the Education Development Charges imposed by the Halton Catholic District School Board. The information contained herein is intended only as a guide. Interested parties should review the approved by-law and consult with the municipality in which the development approval is sought, to determine the applicable charges that may apply to specific development proposals.

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LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY:

The *Education Act* provides that a district school board may pass by-laws for the imposition of education development charges against land in its area of jurisdiction undergoing residential or non-residential development if there is residential development in the area of jurisdiction of the district school board that would increase education land costs and the residential or non-residential development require one or more of the actions identified in section 257.54(2) of the *Education Act*;

Education development charges shall be imposed against all lands, buildings or structures undergoing residential and non-residential development if the development requires one or more of the following:

- a) the passing of a zoning by-law or of an amendment thereto under section 34 of the *Planning Act*;
- b) the approval of a minor variance under section 45 of the *Planning Act*;
- c) a conveyance of land to which a by-law passed under subsection 50(7) of the *Planning Act* applies;
- d) the approval of a plan of subdivision under section 51 of the *Planning Act*;
- e) a consent under section 53 of the *Planning Act*;
- f) the approval of a description under section 9 of the *Condominium Act, 1998*; or
- g) the issuing of a permit under the *Building Code Act, 1992* in relation to a building or structure.

PURPOSE OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:

Education development charges are used to fund the acquisition of school sites and related costs to accommodate growth-related pupil needs.

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGE BY-LAW PROCESS:

The Halton District School Board and Halton Catholic District School Board, together, held a joint Public Meeting on May 10, 2004 and subsequently each Board adopted an Education Development Charges (EDC) by-law on June 9, 2004. The effective implementation date for each Board's EDC by-law is June 24, 2004. The By-law has a term of five (5) years.

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGE RATES:

The EDC By-law 2004 (as amended June 21, 2005) imposes residential and non-residential education development charges on development of all lands within the Region of Halton.

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGE RATE (cont'd)

The applicable rates are as follows:

	Residential Development	Non-Residential Development
\$ / new unit (as defined in the EDC By-law, as amended June 21, 2005)	\$659.00	
\$ / sq. ft. of gross floor area (as defined in the EDC By-laws amended June 21, 2005); \$ / sq. m. of gross floor area		\$ 0.18 / sq. ft. or \$1.93 / sq. m.

The education development charge is in addition to charges levied by other Boards and government bodies.

BY-LAW EXEMPTIONS:

In addition to the statutory exemptions required under the Education Act and which are set out in the By-law, a number of non-statutory exemptions were approved by the Board. The exemptions are as follows:

- a) a public hospital receiving aid under the Public Hospitals Act;
- b) a publicly-funded university, community college or a college of applied arts and technology established under the Ontario Colleges of Applied Art and Technology Act, or a predecessor statute;
- c) a seminary of learning maintained for educational purposes that is exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act, the whole profits from which are devoted or applied to such purposes, i.e. a non-profit private school;
- d) a place of worship owned by a religious organization exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act that is used primarily as a place of public worship;
- e) a cemetery or burying ground exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act;
- f) non residential agricultural buildings or structures that are owned by and are used for the purposes of a bona fide farming operation.
- g) Go Transit

TIMING OF PAYMENT OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:

Education Development Charges are payable in full to the municipality in which the development takes place, on the date a building permit is issued.

BY-LAW INSPECTION:

The EDC By-law 2004 (as amended June 21, 2005) adopted by the Halton Catholic District School Board is available for inspection in the Clerk's Office of each area municipality (i.e. City of Burlington, Town of Halton Hills, Town of Milton and Town of Oakville) during regular business hours as well as at the Board office at 802 Drury Lane, Burlington, Ontario. A copy is also available on the Halton Catholic District School Board website at: www.hcdsb.org