CHAPTER 105-10
SCHEDULE OF FEES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS

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Chapter Authority: 2 CMC § 4874(b).


*Volume 21, number 2, pages 16459-16571 are misnumbered as volume 20.

Commission Comment: PL 10-5 (effective Mar. 13, 1996), the “Commonwealth Museum Act of 1996,” codified as amended at 2 CMC §§ 4871-4883, creates the Commonwealth Museum of History and Culture as a public corporation under the direction of a Museum Board of Governors. See 2 CMC § 4872. The Board is authorized, among other things, to impose and collect reasonable fees for the use of the museum’s facilities and to view its collections. 2 CMC § 4874(l). 2 CMC § 4874(b) authorizes the Board to adopt rules and regulations as necessary for the exercise of the museum’s powers, performance of its duties and administration of its operations.

Part 001 - General Provisions

§ 105-10-001 Definitions

(a) “Group” - A group is defined as ten or more individuals who have scheduled to view the Museum’s exhibit(s) at a given time during its regular hours of operation.

Modified, 1 CMC § 3806(b), (e).


Commission Comment: The Commission moved this section to the “general provisions” part to maintain consistency throughout the administrative code. The Commission inserted quotation marks around terms defined.

Part 100 - Schedule of Admission Fees

§ 105-10-101 Schedule of Admission Fees
(a) Age Group  

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<th>Age Group</th>
<th>Admission Fee</th>
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<tr>
<td>(1) Children under 12 years of age</td>
<td>Free</td>
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<td>(2) Students age 12 and older with student identification card</td>
<td>$1.00</td>
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<td>(3) Students on pre-scheduled field trips</td>
<td>Free</td>
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<td>(4) Adults age 18 and older</td>
<td>$3.00</td>
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<td>(5) Disabled individuals</td>
<td>Free</td>
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<td>(6) Group rate (per adult)</td>
<td>$2.00</td>
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(b) The Board of Governors may waive or suspend admission fees for purposes to promote or otherwise benefit the Museum.


Commission Comment: The original paragraphs were not designated. The Commission designated subsections (a) and (b).

The August 1999 amendments added a new subsection (a)(7). The 2001 amendments deleted former subsection (a)(5), re-designated the remaining subsections accordingly, amended subsections (a)(2) and (a)(4) and added a new subsection (b).

Part 200 - Archaeological Collections Curation Fee

§ 105-10-201 Introduction

The CNMI Museum, as authorized by PL 10-5, § 5 [2 CMC § 4874], per the following policies and schedule, proposes to collect a reasonable fee to defray the considerable expenses borne by the Museum for processing, long term maintenance, and storage of archaeological materials and artifacts.


Commission Comment: This section was originally an introduction to the “Archaeological Collections Curation Fee,” codified in this part. The Commission created the section title.

§ 105-10-205 Policies
(a) The curation fee will apply to only “unsolicited” archaeological/historical collections. Routinely, this means this fee will be only collected from archaeologists/historians/cultural resources specialists/or other responsible parties and agencies, delivering artifacts/collections to the Museum, that were acquired pursuant to permits issued by the CNMI Historic Preservation Officer (HPO).

(b) Donated, purchased, CNMI agency(s) transfers, or other “solicited” artifacts/collections are normally exempt from this fee.

(c) Collections/artifacts for which the curation costs are covered/defrayed by grants, agreements, or other acceptable arrangements, are normally exempt.

(d) In accord with the Museum’s Guidelines & Standards for Submitting an Archaeological Collection, a curation fee will not be collected retroactively and archaeology collections intent to curate agreements, between the Museum and archaeologists/historians/cultural resources specialists/or other responsible parties and agencies, that were properly executed prior to the date of establishment of this fee, are exempt.

Modified, 1 CMC § 3806(f).


Commission Comment: The original paragraphs were not designated. The Commission designated subsections (a) through (d).

§ 105-10-210 Curation Fee

(a) Storage/Processing Fee. $200.00/1 cu. foot is the Museum’s standard, one time, curation/storage/processing fee. This is also the Museum’s minimal fee for collections that require under 1 cu. foot of storage space.

(b) Billing. The Museum will prepare itemized invoices for payment. Invoices are due and payable upon receipt but no later than 30 days from receipt.


Commission Comment: The original paragraphs were not designated. The Commission designated subsections (a) and (b).