

2017-2018 Quality Texas Foundation Application Fees

Fee for Eligibility Certification – All Sectors and Application Levels
 The Eligibility Certification fee is \$350 for all Levels except Pioneer Level (Free).
 This fee is not refundable.

Fee by Sector and Application Level (effective July 1, 2017)

Sector	Higher Achievement Level*+	Award Level* (Site visit required)	Progress Level* (Site visit optional)	Commitment Level	Engagement Level	Pioneer Level
Type of Organization	OP + 50 pages	OP + 50 pages	OP + 30 pages	OP + 20 pages	OP + 10 pages	OP only (5 pages)
Manufacturing; Service; Healthcare; Education; For-Profit Business; Government >500 employees	\$12,000 (inquire with CEO for details)	\$10,000	\$8,000	\$6,000	\$4,500	\$2,000
Manufacturing; Service; Healthcare; Education; For-Profit Business; Government entities; Small Business <500 employees	\$12,000 (inquire with CEO for details)	\$10,000	\$7,000	\$5,000	\$3,500	\$1,500
Government (sections); Education (sections); Business (sections) <50 employees	N/A	\$7,000	\$5,500	\$4,000	\$2,500	\$1,000
Not-for-Profit <50 employees	N/A	\$6,000	\$4,500	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$1,000

*plus site visit fees

+reserved for previous TAPE/Baldrige winners only

Feedback Reports: All levels except the Pioneer Level can receive help from Quality Texas regarding how to complete the application and details about our processes to assist with your organizational improvement. Pioneer Level will receive feedback verbally on a scheduled call with the QTF CEO. All other levels will have Examiners assigned to evaluate the organization and will receive a written feedback report.

Site Visits: Award Site Visits are normally 3-4 days with the applicant; one work day prior to visiting with the applicant and 2-3 days after visiting the applicant – normally 6-7 days total.

Progress Site Visits (optional at this level) are normally 1 1/2 days with the applicant; one day prior to visiting with the applicant and two days after visiting the applicant – normally 4-5 days.

All levels (except Pioneer) receive a written feedback report designed to provide a roadmap for continuous improvement. All levels (except Pioneer) may request up to six hours of coaching (phone) or in person (minimal cost required) from the Quality Texas Foundation to expedite improvements. Call for details.

Site Visits

Site visit expenses for organizations will depend on the number of sites to be visited, the number of Examiners assigned, and the duration of the site visit. Site visit expenses cover travel costs, lodging, and meals associated with the site visit (site visit team requirements) and development of the site visit reports. Expenses will be based upon **actual cost incurred by the examination team during the site visit only.**

Typical site visit costs range from \$8,000 to \$10,000 for the **Award Level** and the **Higher Achievement Level**. **Progress Level** Site Visits range from \$4,000 to \$8,000. Requests for site visits need to be included in the applicant's Eligibility Certification Form. Every attempt will be taken to limit the costs of the site visits by the Team Leader conducting the site visit.