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Changing practices in many jurisdictions have caused serious misunderstandings about the payment of certain fees under GC 16.2. Where there is doubt about such fees, the Consultant should state in his Supplementary Conditions whether the fees are to be paid by the Contractor.

When GC 16.2 was written, it was conventional practice for the Contractor to obtain and pay for the building permits. It has since become common practice in many jurisdictions for the Owner or the Consultant to apply and pay for the building permit before or while putting the work out for bids. In such jurisdictions, each bidder needs to know whether or not to include the costs of plan examination and the building permit in his bid price.

Other fees and charges have been introduced that were not anticipated when GC 16.2 was written. These include:

- development charges
- other plan examination fees.

Such fees are conventionally paid by the Owner, but the Owner may require the Contractor to pay them. Bidders need to know which it is to be.

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