



Everglades Research and
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Since its completion in 2001, the Conference Center at the EREC has accommodated the local agricultural community by serving as a central location for industry meetings and related conferences. In 2009, we needed to begin charging rental fees. The fees have only been raised once in over 15 years. The rental fees are used to help maintain the facility and to continue to provide a clean, attractive location with state-of-the-art audiovisual capabilities.

The *Conference Center Use Policy* must be read and signed by first time users, prior to their reservation. Use is limited to UF groups, and direct agriculture industry associated groups.

The user will still be responsible for basic clean-up and trash removal.

FEE SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday, regular business hours (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

½ Day use (4.5 hours) morning or afternoon*	\$250.00
Full day (9 hours) *	\$500.00

Monday - Friday, afterhours rate (time outside of normal business hours)

½ Day use (4.5 hours) includes opening before 8 a.m. or ending after 5 p.m.*	\$300.00
Full day (9 hours), and includes opening prior to 8 a.m. and/or closing after 5 p.m.*	\$600.00

Saturday, (all or part of the day) restricted to special industry trainings and events	\$750.00
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Sunday: *Not available*

AV use afterhours will be dependent upon availability of EREC AV Specialist.

**Meetings and events exceeding a four and a half hour time period will be charged for a full day use; should an event begin prior to 8 a.m. or finish after 5 pm., the afterhours rate will apply. For example, a meeting scheduled from 2 pm and lasting until 6 pm will be charged \$300.00; should the meeting continue past the four and a half hour block, the charge would be \$600.00. Likewise, if set up time is required before 8 a.m., afterhours rates will apply.*

The schedule and *Use Agreement* form is posted online at <http://erec.ifas.ufl.edu>, for reservations please contact the Media Specialist at 561-993-1517, or the front desk at 561-993-1500.