



Kiln Maintenance, Service and Safety Check

This full service takes 1-1.5 hours to complete per kiln. It is recommended annually for kilns under heavy use and every 2-3 years for kilns under less constant use like some rural school districts. The service includes the following check-list of items and results in a report sent to the District Administration, Building Manager and Art Teachers if desired along with a list of recommendations with **safety issues being red flagged**. The Report is kept on file for future reference and cataloging of service.

- Teacher/user pre-visit dialogue to diagnose firing times, usage rate and any problems or changes noted in Kiln performance prior to visit as requested or needed.
- General environment safety check (kiln placement, flammables, switches)
- Ventilation check (local kiln ventilation, ductwork and overhead room ventilation operation)
- Electrical Outlet/Plug/Wiring safety check
- Elements and relays operational diagnostic testing and visual inspection
- Computer operational testing check
- Kiln stand, lid, jacket, floor, shelves, furniture condition report
- Vacuuming debris out of element grooves and floor (increases element life span)
- Pinning up sagging elements where possible (safety and element life span). Severely drooping or sagging elements may need to be replaced.
- Removing glaze drips and fixing/patching broken brick as needed
- Optional meeting/training with teacher/operator

***Does not include additional repairs when malfunctions are diagnosed. Basic costs for standard repairs available upon request.**

This kiln service is \$194 for one kiln and \$149 for more than one kiln per visit. Includes local travel from Fargo (up to 15 miles), diagnostics, paperwork and 1-1.5 hours labor. Standard State travel rates apply (2026 rate is \$.72/mi.) outside of local 15 mile radius + \$25/hr. driving time.

During the school year an urgent service call is typically able to be performed with 48-72 hr. notice and can occur after students are dismissed from 3-5:00 if preferred. Full Maintenance, Service and Safety Check service can be also be scheduled for after school, Saturdays or Summer.