

**ESTABLISHING CONNECTION FEE
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

WHEREAS, The Township of Ocean Sewerage Authority published Notice of proposed adjustments of its Rate Schedule and of the time and place of the public hearing thereon in two newspapers of general circulation in the area serviced by the Authority at least twenty (20) days preceding the aforesaid public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Authority conducted a public hearing on the proposed adjustments of its Rate Schedule on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the offices of the Authority as indicated in the publication of Notice; and

WHEREAS, the Authority provided evidence at the hearing showing that the proposed adjustments of its Rate Schedule are necessary and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Authority provided the opportunity for cross-examination of persons offering such evidence at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Authority ordered that a transcript of the hearing be made and a copy thereof be available upon request to any interested party at a reasonable fee; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has considered the proposed adjustments to its Rate Schedule, as well as all evidence presented through direct and cross-examination, as well as all comments made by those members of the public in attendance at the aforesaid public hearing, as well as any written comments that may have been received; and

WHEREAS, the Authority having been satisfied from all of the evidence and comments presented that the proposed adjustments of the Rate Schedule are in accordance with the Statute and are reasonable and necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 5th day of September 2017 that the proposed adjustments to the Rate Schedule attached to this Resolution be and the same are hereby approved and adopted by the Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revised Rate Schedule shall become effective on September 6, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of The Township of Ocean Sewerage Authority Rules and Regulations pertaining to the payment of such charges and to the time or times when and the place or places where such charges shall be due and payable, be and the same are hereby incorporated herein by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Rate Schedule in effect shall at all times be kept on file at the office of the Authority and shall at all reasonable times be open to public inspection.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Bernhardt						
Galvin						
Stubbs						
Theodora						
Villapiano						

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Township of Ocean Sewerage Authority at its Regular Meeting held on September 5, 2017.

CHARLES THEODORA, Assistant Secretary

THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
SEWER CONNECTION FEES
Effective September 6, 2017

CLASS 1: RESIDENTIAL \$6,009.00

Single-family, condominiums, townhouses, apartments, multifamily, duplex, age restricted, trailers, mobile homes (Per unit)

CLASS 2: NON-RESIDENTIAL; HOTEL OR MOTEL \$3,004.50 (per guest room)

This portion of the connection fee applies only to the number of units available for transient occupancy. The connection fee for the non-occupancy portion of the building shall be based upon estimated usage from the remainder of the building, including kitchens, restaurants, taverns, laundries, offices, convention or meeting rooms, sport or athletic facilities, common areas and restrooms, at the Class 3 per gallon per day rate.

CLASS 3: NON-RESIDENTIAL: GENERAL

Per gallon per day	\$ 24.73
Minimum connection fee (per unit)	\$6,009.00

A minimum sewer connection charge for non-residential users shall be imposed, in an amount equal to the residential connection fee regardless of whether the estimated usage is less than the residential rate of usage.

CLASS 4: CERTAIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS

Connection fees to public housing authorities and non-profit organizations building affordable housing projects that consist of new connections to the system are to be computed by providing a 50% reduction in the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule.

Connection fees to public housing authorities and non-profit organizations building affordable housing projects that consist of replacement units for demolished or refurbished units, and for which a connection fee was previously paid, are to be computed by charging the lesser of a) the reduced rate of 50% of the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule, or b) the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule, minus a credit in the amount of a connection fee previously paid for the housing units being replaced, provided the public housing authority and non-profit organization can establish the connection fee previously paid. If the amount of the previous connection fee cannot be established, the reduced rate of 50% of the connection fee established in this Rate Schedule shall apply.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO SEWER CONNECTION FEES

A. An applicant shall pay a sewer connection fee for each equivalent dwelling unit at the time that a sewer permit is requested, in an amount as established by the Authority's Rate Schedule in effect at the time that service is requested. All sewer connection fees shall be paid in full prior to the issuance of a construction permit for the premises.

B. Connection fees for non-residential users shall be based upon the Authority's calculation of estimated usage multiplied by the rate per gallon per day contained in the Rate Schedule. A minimum sewer connection charge for non-residential users shall be imposed, in an amount equal to the residential connection fee regardless of whether the estimated usage is less than the residential rate of usage.

C. The projected flow criteria contained in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 shall be used to determine the estimated sewer usage for non-residential uses, whenever practicable, except as set forth below. In the event that a type of use is not listed in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3, the Authority shall use its best judgment in determining estimated sewer usage. The Authority may adopt additions or exceptions to the flow projections contained in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 by resolution. For the purpose of this Rate Schedule, any reference to "seat" or "person" in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 or in any projected flow criteria adopted by the Authority shall be deemed to mean the maximum permitted occupancy established pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code and/or the Uniform Fire Code.

- (1) Factories/Warehouse/Flex space - 0.035 gpd per square foot
- (2) Day care centers - 0.25 per square foot
- (3) Laundromats:
 - 18 pound washing machine - 136 gpd per machine
 - 35 pound washing machine - 267 gpd per machine
 - 50 pound washing machine - 425 gpd per machine
- (4) Bed and Breakfast Inns - 100 gpd per bedroom
- (5) Churches - 1 EDU per 750 seats, or part thereof
- (6) Fitness Centers - 0.01 gpd per square foot
- (7) Combined Gym and Banquet Facility - 8 gpd per seat

D. In the event that an application is made for sewer service to a non-residential building or unit for which the types or sizes of the uses therein have not been determined by the applicant, or are subject to change in the future, a connection fee shall be assessed based upon the maximum potential estimated sewer usage in the building or unit. The Authority, in its discretion, may enter into a deferred connection fee agreement under which an initial connection fee would be imposed only for those uses that are initially contemplated, and which would defer the payment of the balance of the connection fee until such time as a use for which the initial connection fee was paid is changed to a use that will generate additional sewer usage. Any connection fee paid under a deferred connection fee agreement shall be paid at the connection fee rate then prevailing at that time that payment is made.

E. A non-residential user shall be entitled to use the amount of sewer capacity, in gallons per day, that was obtained through the payment of connection fees, as well as such additional capacity actually used by its building or unit without having undergone a physical or

operational change for which a building permit, site plan, subdivision, variance or other municipal approval was required. An application for additional capacity shall be made by any existing non-residential user whenever there is an increase in the estimated, projected sewer usage for any existing building or unit resulting from any physical or operational change for which a building permit, site plan, subdivision, variance or other municipal approval is required. A connection fee shall be charged to the user based upon the increase in estimated sewer usage associated with the aforesaid physical or operational change.

F. In the event that an application is made to reinstate sewer service to a residential structure that was previously abandoned or terminated when the prior structure was demolished or substantially totally destroyed, no additional connection fee shall be due provided that the application for service is made within seven (7) years of the date of the prior termination of service.

G. In the event that an application is made to reinstate sewer service to a non-residential structure that was previously abandoned or terminated when the prior structure was demolished or substantially totally destroyed, no additional connection fee shall be due, provided that: (1) the applicant has continued to pay sewer service charges for the property on a regular basis as those charges became due, and (2) there is no change in the estimated sewer usage of the building. In the event that condition (1) herein has been satisfied, and there will be an increase in the estimated sewer usage of the building, then the applicant shall pay a connection fee only on the amount of the increase in the estimated sewer usage.