

**CITY OF FAIRMONT**, a municipal utility

OF

**FAIRMONT, WEST VIRGINIA**

RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FURNISHING

**SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SERVICE**

at Fairmont and vicinity, Marion County, West Virginia

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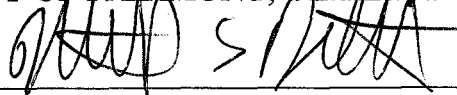
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By 

Mayor

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

- I. Rules and Regulations for the Government of Sewerage Utilities, adopted by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, and now in effect, and all amendments thereto and modifications thereof hereafter made by said Commission.

(C) APPLICABILITY

Applicable within the entire territory or area served

AVAILABILITY:

Available for general domestic, commercial and industrial sewer service

(I) RATES (residential customers)

First	50,000 gallons of water used per month	\$5.76 per 1,000 gallons
Next	25,000 gallons of water used per month	\$5.53 per 1,000 gallons
Next	25,000 gallons of water used per month	\$5.22 per 1,000 gallons
Next	25,000 gallons of water used per month	\$4.91 per 1,000 gallons
Over	125,000 gallons of water used per month	\$4.61 per 1,000 gallons

RATES (commercial and industrial customers)

First	50,000 gallons of water used per month	\$5.26 per 1,000 gallons
Next	25,000 gallons of water used per month	\$5.06 per 1,000 gallons
Next	25,000 gallons of water used per month	\$4.77 per 1,000 gallons
Next	25,000 gallons of water used per month	\$4.49 per 1,000 gallons
Over	125,000 gallons of water used per month	\$4.22 per 1,000 gallons

(I) MINIMUM CHARGE - (residential customers)

No bill will be rendered for less than \$28.80 bi-monthly, which is the equivalent of 5,000 gallons of usage with a 5/8" meter.

MINIMUM CHARGE - (commercial and industrial customers)

No bill will be rendered for less than \$13.15 per month, which is the equivalent of 2,500 gallons of usage with a 5/8" meter.

DELAYED PAYMENT PENALTY

The above schedule is net. On all accounts not paid in full when due, ten percent will be added to the net current amount unpaid. This delayed payment penalty is not interest and is to be collected only once for each bill where it is appropriate.

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TAP FEE

The following charges are to be made whenever the utility installs a new tap to serve an applicant.

A tap fee of \$250.00 will be charged to customers applying for service outside of a certificate proceeding before the Commission for each new tap to the system.

DISCONNECT/RECONNECT/ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

Whenever water service has been disconnected for non-payment of sewer bills in conjunction with a water service termination agreement, a disconnection fee of \$25.00 shall be charged; or, in the event the delinquent sewer bill is collected by the water company, an administrative fee of \$25.00 shall be charged.

Whenever water service, which has been previously disconnected or otherwise withheld for non-payment of a sewer bill in conjunction with a water service termination agreement, is reconnected, a reconnection fee of \$25.00 shall be charged.

RETURNED CHECK CHARGE

A service charge equal to the actual bank fee assessed to the sewer utility up to a maximum of \$25.00 will be imposed upon any customer whose check for payment of charges is returned by the bank due to insufficient funds.

BIMONTHLY OR QUARTERLY BILLING

The above rates and charges may be adjusted to a bimonthly or quarterly basis, providing no lower charges.

ALTERNATIVE MEASUREMENT OF SEWAGE

Customers having water use which results in a substantial portion of the water purchased not being discharged into the sanitary sewer system shall be entitled, at the option and sole cost of the customer, to request the Sanitary Sewer Board to purchase and install special meters to measure the volume of waste water discharged into the sanitary sewer system. The customer shall advance to the Sanitary Sewer Board, on demand, the Sanitary Sewer Board's estimated cost of purchasing and installing the meter and, upon installation of such waste discharge meter, the rates of such customer shall be based upon the volume of waste discharged into the system rather than upon the volume of water purchased by the customer.

BULK SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable in the entire territory or area served

AVAILABILITY

Available for bulk rate, resale, public authority or satellite customers

RATE (resale customers)

All wastewater will be treated at the approved rate of \$0.9451 per 1,000 gallons.

(I) RATE (public authority)

All wastewater will be treated at the approved rate of \$1.7445 per 1,000 gallons.

LEAK ADJUSTMENT

\$0.23 per 1,000 gallons of water is to be used when a bill reflects unusual consumption which can be attributed to eligible leakage on the customer's side of the meter. This rate shall be applied to all such consumption above customer's historical average usage.

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CHARGE FOR NON-CONNECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable in the entire territory or area served.

AVAILABILITY

Available for non-connected industrial service

RATE

The charge for the treatment of industrial waste shall be calculated on the basis of the following formula:

$$C_i = V_o V_i + B_o B_i + S_o S_i$$

- $C_i$  = charge to industrial users per year
- $V_o$  = average unit cost of transport and treatment chargeable to volume, in dollars per gallon
- $V_i$  = volume of wastewater from industrial users, in gallons per year
- $B_o$  = average unit cost of treatment, chargeable to Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) in dollars per pound
- $B_i$  = weight of BOD from industrial users, in pounds per year
- $S_o$  = average unit cost of treatment (including sludge treatment) chargeable to total solids in dollars per pound
- $S_i$  = weight of total solids from industrial users, in pounds per year

When an industrial user is to be served, a preliminary study of its wastes, and the cost of transport and treatment thereof, will be made. Waste containing materials which, in the judgment of the Sanitary Sewer Board, should not be introduced into the sewer system need not be handled by it. The results of the preliminary study will be used to determine the feasibility of the proposed sewer service and the charge therefore, based upon the formula set out above.

CHARGE FOR NON-CONNECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICE (continued)

Thereafter, industrial sewage shall be monitored on a regular basis and, at the conclusion of each fiscal year, based on the aforesaid investigation and audit of the Sanitary Sewer Board records, new cost figures shall be calculated for use in the above formula. The cost of establishing the monitoring facilities shall be paid by the industrial user. Based on these audited figures, additional billings covering the past fiscal year shall be made for payment by each industrial user, or refund given by the Sanitary Sewer Board, as the case may be. Such audited figures will then be used for the preliminary billing for the next fiscal year, at the end of which an adjustment shall be made as aforesaid.