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**SEWER FEES and CHARGES**

**AMENDED AND REISSUED**

**June 18, 2015**

**Effective July 1, 2015**

**Part 1**

**Sewer Rate Schedule**

**FY2016 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Commitment & Billing**

<b><u>Metered Quarterly Consumption</u></b>	<b><u>Charge per hcf (100 Cubic Feet)</u></b>
First 500 cubic feet	\$3.22
Next 3,500 cubic feet	\$4.39
Next 15,000 cubic feet	\$5.81
Next 81,000 cubic feet	\$8.65
Over 100,000 cubic feet	\$11.70

**Effective all bills issued after July 1, 2012**

<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Quarterly Base Charge</b>
5/8 inch	\$62.65
3/4 inch	\$69.12
1 inch	\$87.72
1-1/2 inch	\$112.80
2 inch	\$181.73
3 inch	\$689.11
4 inch	\$877.24
6 inch	\$1,315.96
8 inch	\$1,817.26
Unmetered	\$164.51

**Septage Treatment**

-In Town	\$47.74/Thousand Gallons
-Out of Town	\$68.96/Thousand Gallons

**Part 2**

## "User Charges for Sewer Service"

### Town of Southbridge General By-Laws Article X, Section 11

#### SERVICE FEES SCHEDULE

Effective July 1, 2015

<u>FEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1. Return Check Fee	\$25.00 or 1% of check face value which- ever is larger	Insufficient Funds Charge
2. Illegal Sewer Use Charge		
1st Offense	\$300.00	Use of sewer without application for service or other unauthorized use
2nd Offense	up to \$1,000.00	
3. Turn Off at Main Charge	\$200.00	Turn off service at main or plug at Customer request
4. Fees for Application of sewer exception Meters	\$200	Fee includes only the cost of meter and inspection. Customer is responsible for actual cost of installation
5. Meter Test at Customer Request		
1" or smaller	\$ 100	Test Meter at Town Meter Shop
1-1/2" or 2"	\$ 150	
3" or larger	\$ 200 or Actual cost to Town, which ever is larger	
6. Inspection Fees		
Inspection	\$2.50/LF of Sewer main installed	Fee paid by developers for inspection of the installation of the system
7. Sale of Blueprints per drawing	\$ 10.00	Sale by Sewer Department
8. Sale of Maps per map	\$ 10.00	Sale by Sewer Department
9. Repair of damaged Sewer mains	Actual Cost incurred by Town to repair damaged pipe	
10. Plan Review Fee per unit	\$5.00	Fee for Sewer Department
11. Testing Connections & Inspections after regular working hours	\$ 75.00/hr.	Actual cost to Town including overtime

12.	Replacement of Replacement Damaged Exception Meter	\$ Actual Cost	Actual Cost to Town
13.	Lien Fee	\$25.00	Fee to levy delinquent Sewer charges to Real Estate tax bill
14.	Miscellaneous service -regular working hours	\$60.00	Any service work per hour not covered by specific charges
15.	Miscellaneous service -after regular working hours	\$75.00	Any service work per hour not covered by specific charges after regular working hours
16.	Final Sewer Charge	\$25.00	Fee to perform individual reading and billing for transfer/ sale of property or other purpose

**Authority**

As follows: Part I **Article II, Section 12 "The Sewer Connect Fees"** of the "1997 **Regulations for the Installation and Connection of Building Sewers and for the Use of Public Sewers in the Town of Southbridge**" (are amended and consolidated) republished herewith; Part II These changes are in addition to changing the **Sewer Rate Schedule for FY2015**; Part III **Article X, Section 11 "User Charges for Sewer Service"** established by the Town Manager is amended and reissued as noted below.

**Part 1**  
**"The Sewer Connect Fees"**

**Article II Section 12**

Sec. 12 Sewer Connect Fees are to be used to upgrade existing sewer collection lines in order to maximize capacities for the sewage to be contributed by new growth; and potentially to add any needed capacity to the Wastewater Treatment Plant for new growth.

Fees will be uniform Town-wide: \$5.46 per gallon of average daily flow as calculated by 310 CMR 15.203. Fees will be payable at the time of issuance of the Town Sewer Connect Permit. The Town Sewer Connect permit will be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance.

The fee per unit will be reduced if found to be excessive following the determination of actual costs to be incurred. An abatement per unit fee paid will be made with interest.

- (a) New Residential Sewer Connections: \$5.46 per gallon ADF fee per unit for new residential construction.

Additions to Existing Sewered Properties: \$5.46 per gallon, ADF, for the additional discharge to the Town sewer from newly constructed properties currently connected to the Town sewer. Building permits will not be issued until this fee has been paid.

(b) Sewer Connect Permit Fees will be waived for connections within 60 days to sewer lines constructed by funding under the authority of MGL Chapter 21 Section 30A, (Collection Systems Grant).

(c) New Commercial/Industrial Construction shall be \$5.46 per gallon ADF.

Sewer connect permits will not be issued to projects which do not have a required State extension permit until extension permit is issued by the State. Additionally, permits will not be issued in any part of Town in which there is a moratorium.

The sewer connect permit fee will not be applicable to projects which had a building permit prior to September 2, 1986.

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**WATER**

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As Follows: Article XVIII "Water Regulations" Section 22a – The Town Manager shall establish water rates and fees following a public hearing on the same.

**FY2016 1st Quarter Commitment & Billing**

<b><u>Metered Quarterly Consumption</u></b>	<b><u>Charge per hcf (100 Cubic Feet)</u></b>
First 500 cubic feet	\$3.21
Next 3,500 cubic feet	\$3.72
Next 15,000 cubic feet	\$4.42
Next 81,000 cubic feet	\$5.30
Over 100,000 cubic feet	\$6.21

**Effective all bills issued after July 1, 2015**

<b><u>Meter Size</u></b>	<b><u>Quarterly Base Charge</u></b>
5/8 inch	\$64.50
3/4 inch	\$70.95
1 inch	\$90.30
1-1/2 inch	\$116.04
2 inch	\$187.06
3 inch	\$709.44
4 inch	\$902.94
6 inch	\$1,354.41
8 inch	\$1,870.37

## WATER FEES (Effective July 1, 2015)

### SERVICE FEES SCHEDULE Effective July 1, 2015

<u>FEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1. Installation of Meter	\$NC	Install meter for initial service only
2. Return Check Fee	\$25.00 or 1% of check face value which- ever is larger	Insufficient Funds Charge
3. Curb Cock Shut Off Normal working hours	N/C	Scheduled turn off water service by request of Customer
3a. Curb Cock Shut Off Normal Working Hours	\$75.00	Turn off water service for delinquent account or for damages caused by customer
4. Curb Cock Shut Off or Turn on - after hours	\$90.00	All shut off or turn on service- after hours
5. Curb Cock Turn On Fee	\$75.00	Following meter turn-off
6. Water Use Recheck Charge	\$N/C	Reread meter
7. New Account Charge	\$N/C	New Account activation of water Service.
8. Reinstallation of meter	\$N/C	
9. Illegal Water Use Charge	\$300.00 1st offense Up to \$1,000.00 2 <sup>nd</sup> offense	Use of water without application for service or other unauthorized use.
10. Remove Meter Charge	\$N/C	Remove meter - Customer request
10a. Remove Meter charge	\$60.00	Remove meter-delinquent account or damage caused by customer
11. Turn Off at Main Charge	\$100.00	Turn off service at main or plug Customer request
12. Broken Meter Lock or Seal	\$300.00	Broken meter lock or seal

13. Relocate Meter		Move meter - same Premise at Customer's request - no plumbing involved except meter
Meter Size		
5/8" - 2"	\$150.00	
2" - 4"	\$500.00	
over 4"	\$1500.00	
14. Fire Hydrant Opening Permit	\$100.00	Cost of permit, installation of meter, hydrant monitoring, opening and closing of hydrant - normal working hours-during a 30-day period

15. Fees for Application of Water Service

New	
<u>Service Line Size</u>	<u>Tie In Fee</u>
(inches)	

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1" (or smaller)	\$ 2,000
up to & including:	
1-1/2"	\$ 2,400
2"	\$ 4,000
4"	\$ 6,000
6"	\$ 8,000
8"	\$ 10,000
10"	\$ 16,000
12"	\$ 20,000

Costs do not include expenditures for tapping sleeve and valve, Customer is responsible for actual cost of tapping sleeve and valve.

16. Meter Test at Customer Request		
Statutory Period	\$NC	
Outside Statutory Period		
1" or smaller	\$ 100	Test Meter at Town Meter Shop
1-1/2" or 2"	\$ 150	
3" or larger	\$Actual cost to Town	
17. Inspection Fees		
Inspection	\$2.50/LF of Water main installed	Fee paid by developers for inspection of the installation of the system
17A. Cross Connection Device Test/Retest per device	\$50.00/device	Check test/retest device
17B. Cross Connection Survey	\$60.00/hr.	Locate and classify cross connections as per CMR 22.22
19. Water Sales - Fire Hydrants	Actual Use	Sale of Water from metered hydrants

20.	Sale of Blueprints per drawing	\$ 10.00	Sale by Water Department
21.	Sale of Maps per map	\$ 10.00	Sale by Water Department
22.	Repair of damaged water mains	Actual Cost incurred by Town to repair damaged pipe	
23.	Plan Review Fee per unit	\$5.00	Fee for Water Department
24.	Standby Fire Protection (firelines) per day	Actual Cost	
25.	Testing Connections & Inspections after regular working hours	\$ 75.00/hr.	Actual cost to Town including overtime
26.	Damage to or Replacement of Fire Hydrant Meter	Actual Cost	Fine to Customer
27.	Replacement of Replacement Damaged Meter	Cost Actual cost	
28.	Service Line Thawing	\$250.00	Includes turn service off & on, Thaw service line from T handle to meter
29.	Fire Protection Service Charge Pipe size	Quarterly Service Charge	
	4 inch	\$162.50	
	6 inch	\$283.28	
	8 inch	\$426.72	
30.	Lien Fee	\$25.00	Fee to levy delinquent water charges to Real Estate tax bill
31.	Final Water Charge	\$25.00	Fee to perform individual reading and billing for transfer, sale of property, or other purpose
32.	Miscellaneous Service -regular working hours	\$60.00/hr.	Any service work per hour not covered by specific charges

33. Miscellaneous Service \$75.00/hr.  
-after regular working hours

Any service work per hour not  
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