

**PICKENS COUNTY
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
WASTEWATER FEES AND CHARGES
APPROVED June 5, 2017, EFFECTIVE July 1, 2017**

Volume Charge \$5.84 per 1000 gallons of metered water

Collection System Charge

Whisp. Pines, others	\$1.15 per 1000 gallons of metered water
Town of Central	To be determined by Municipality
City of Liberty	To be determined by Municipality

Wastewater Impact Fee (formerly Availability Fee)- Residential and Commercial Users

18-Mile Creek Basin	\$1860 per 400 gpd
12-Mile Creek Basin	\$1860 per 400 gpd
Crayton Creek Basin	\$4508 per 400 gpd

Septage Receiving Fees (Fees increased on Nov. 1, 2001)

First 1200 gallons	\$68.00
Additional Septage	\$5.67 per 100 gals.
Testing Fee	\$10.00 per load
Neutralization Fee	\$100

Pretreatment Program Administrative Fees

Significant Industrial User	\$884/Qtr.
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Commercial/Industrial Surcharges

** Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	
BOD 0 - 250mg/l	\$ - 0-
BOD above 250 mg/l	\$0.31 per pound of excess BOD
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	
TSS 0-250 mg/l	\$ - 0-
TSS above 250 mg/l	\$0.31 per pound of excess TSS
*** Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN)	
TKN 0-250 mg/l	\$-0-
TKN above 250 mg/l	Cost/per pound excess N to be determined
*** Total Phosphorus (P _τ)	
P _τ 0 - 12 mg/l	\$-0-
P _τ above 10 mg/l	Cost/per pound excess P _τ to be determined

** The Commission at their discretion may base charges on COD in lieu of BOD (Where excess COD is above 600 mg/l).

*** Upon completion of treatment works installed to remove ammonia nitrogen and total phosphorus, the surcharge rate for excesses will be determined by the Commission the actual cost of removal.

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POLICY FOR WASTEWATER FEES

New Residential Sewer Service: General Information

A Wastewater Construction Permit shall be required to tap-on to the County's system or a Sub-district thereof. Non-routine fees (e.g., Wastewater Impact Fee or formerly Availability Fees) shall be paid directly to the Public Service Commission or the City of Liberty or Town of Central prior to connection. Monthly rate charges for transport and treatment are billed and paid through the local rural water district.

Past Due Policy

The past due policy for monthly sewer service shall be the same policy as the associated rural water district. In cases where water providers past due policy cannot apply, past due sewer accounts are subject to service disconnection. Otherwise, a residential disconnect notice is hand delivered, and service is discontinued if the customer fails to pay the past due balance in full within the time allotted on the notice. Should nonpayment continue and/or the service is tampered with, the county may seek legal action including but not limited to severance of service or a lien on the property.

Sewer Tap Fees (Service Connections)

The County does not charge a sewer tap fee. For new service within municipalities, contact the town government. In cases outside city limits, installation of sewer service lines and connection to the County-owned collector sewer will be the responsibility of the homeowner. Inspection of the service line must be conducted by Pickens County Public Service Commission personnel prior to connection. Taps must occur at manholes unless the Commission issues a variance. Manholes must be cored (no hammer taps). In the case of pre-approved lateral taps, saddles or sleeves must be ductile iron with galvanized steel straps and synthetic rubber sealing gasket (no flexible saddle or field cutting of collector line). Specifications for sewer line construction are available upon request.

Wastewater Impact Fee (formerly Availability Fee)

The Wastewater Impact Fee will be collected when county-provided sewer treatment is available, and will be determined by the number of gallons per day requested for flow (usage). Fees will accrue in a capital fund designated specifically for wastewater capital improvements.