

**SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**SECTION 2**

**SEWER RENTALS OR CHARGES**

Sewer rentals or charges are imposed upon and shall be collected from the owner of each improved property which shall be connected to the sewer system, for use of the sewer system, whether such use shall be direct or indirect, and for services rendered by this Authority in connection therewith, including any charges payable by this Authority to the Borough of Bellefonte pursuant to provisions of the Treatment Agreement, which sewer rentals or charges shall commence and shall be effective as of the date of connection of each such improved property to the sewer system, or within ninety (90) days after the date of the Notice to Connect, whichever comes first, and shall be payable as provided herein, in accordance with the following schedule of rates and classifications:

**SECTION 201:** Residential shall mean each private dwelling unit...\$320.00 per annum, payable at the rate of \$80.00 per quarterly billing period.

Each dwelling unit in a double house, a condominium, a townhouse, a duplex, in a row of connection houses or in an apartment building shall be billed as a separate entity. If two or more families use separate cooking and/or toilet facilities in an improved property, the sewer rental or charge payable hereunder shall be computed as though each such family was a separate user with a separate connection to a sewer.

**SECTION 202.1:** All owners of non-residential improved properties connected to the sewer system shall pay sewer rentals or charges at the rate of \$80.00 per quarter annum per unit on the basis of Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDU's) as set forth in the following schedule:

	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNITS</u>
1.	(A) Each retail store, business, industry or professional office having 3 or less employees that are not applicable with any following category	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional employee	0.16 EDU
	(C) Transient persons or employees who are assigned out of the office for the day	0.04 EDU
2.	(A) Each business within a home with one person and/or employee part-time in addition to their home charge	0.25 EDU
	(B) Each additional employee	0.16 EDU
	(C) Each transient employee	0.04 EDU
3.	(A) Each restaurant, tavern and club, with 10 seats or less	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional seat	.05 EDU

4.	(A) Each hotel, motel and boarding house, or bed & breakfast, with 5 rental rooms or less	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional room	.20 EDU
5.	Each Jail/Prison or Similar Institution	
	(A) Each Employee	0.20 EDU
	(B) Each Cell/Room additional	0.20 EDU
6.	Each service station, garage and/or automotive repair shop:	
	(A) With 3 or less employees	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional employee	.13 EDU
	(C) Each washing bay located in service station, garage or automotive repair shop	.50 EDU
7.	Car wash units:	
	(A) Each automatic bay	1.50 EDU
	(B) Each manual bay	1.00 EDU
8.	Each laundromat:	
	(A) With 5 washers or less	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional washer	.20 EDU
9.	Each barber shop or beauty shop – Non-residential property:	
	(A) Employees contribution as in category 1 above plus	
	(B) With 4 chairs or less	1.00 EDU
	(C) Each additional chair	.25 EDU
10.	Each barber shop or beauty shop – Residential property, in addition to regular residence charge:	
	(A) With 1 chair	.50 EDU
	(B) For each additional chair	.25 EDU
11.	Each fire company – building only:	
	(A) Accessory uses such as restaurants, bar and club or other related functions shall be charged up to 200 seats an additional	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional 100 seats or fraction of	0.50 EDU
12.	Each church, actual house of worship:	1.00 EDU
	(A) Parsonage	1.00 EDU
13.	Each Grange Hall:	
	(A) Accessory uses and other related functions shall be charged up to 100 seats	1.00 EDU
	(B) Each additional 100 seats or fraction of	0.50 EDU

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| 14. | Each improved property having a commercial garbage grinder,<br>¾ horsepower or greater per each such grinder   | 1.00 EDU  |
| 15. | Each nursing home, hospital or similar institution,<br>the first 4 patients/employees, or combination thereof<br>(A) Each additional patient/employee  | 1.00 EDU<br>0.25 EDU                                  |
| 16. | Each school, public or private:<br>(A) Elementary schools, per pupil<br>(B) Junior high schools, per pupil<br>(C) Senior high schools, per pupil<br>(D) Vocational high schools, per pupil   | .06 EDU<br>.07 EDU<br>.08 EDU<br>.07 EDU              |
| 17. | Daycare Facilities, public or private, shall be charged based on Public Welfare<br>Code Regulations:<br>(A) Relative/Neighbor Care (1-3 children)<br>(B) Family Daycare Home (4-6 children)<br>(C) Group Daycare Home (7-12 children)<br>(D) Daycare Center (1-12 children)<br>(1) Each Additional Child | .25 EDU<br>.50 EDU<br>1.00 EDU<br>1.00 EDU<br>.08 EDU |
| 18. | Campgrounds, with individual water and sewer hookup, per space   | .25 EDU   |
| 19. | Each bowling alley (in addition to restaurant facilities, employees<br>or other facilities therein) per 6 lanes or major fraction thereof  | 1.00 EDU  |
| 20. | Swimming Pools<br>(A) Per Filter Connection<br>(B) Average Patrons x 10 (gpd)/240 (gpd)<br><br>(C) Pool side trench drains<br>(D) Miscellaneous: Pool Room Area Drains (per drain)   | 2.00 EDUs and<br><br>1.00 EDU<br>.50 EDU              |
|     | Charge to drain pool (pool capacity divided by 240 to determine current EDU charge.)<br>Treatment plant must be notified in advance of draining and must grant approval.   |   |
| 21. | Each improved property using 240 gallons per day or more,<br>in excess of the amount calculated for employees, will be subject<br>to additional charge per each additional 240 gallons per day   | 1.00 EDU  |

**SECTION 202.2:** Sewer rentals and charges for schools payable hereunder, shall be computed on the basis of the average number of pupils enrolled during the fourth quarter of every year. Teachers and employees shall be included as pupils for purposes of such computation.

**SECTION 202.3:** Sewer rentals and charges for businesses or industrial units payable hereunder shall be computed on the basis of the average number of employees (including individual owners and employers) as well as other applicable categories presented above.

**SECTION 202.4:** In the event a non-residential improved property is no longer operative and the building is unoccupied, the owner(s) will be billed as follows:

1. Full quarterly billing for any part of the quarter that the business was operative.
2. A one (1) EDU charge, per quarter, for the time the non-residential improved property is closed and inoperative regardless of the unit charges established for that property when operative.

It will be the responsibility of the owner(s) of said non-residential improved property to notify this Authority, in writing, of such closing, provided, however, that no rebates will be paid by this Authority if the proper notification was not made to this Authority.

**SECTION 202.5:** If the owner of any non-residential improved property (including any school) shall fail to provide this Authority with complete information required to compute the sewer rental and charge to such non-residential improved property, this Authority may estimate a reasonable applicable sewer rental and charge for such non-residential improved property and such estimated sewer rental and charge shall be the actual sewer rental and charge payable until the required information is filed, provided, however, that no rebates will be paid by this Authority if the information filed reveals a lower indicated sewer rental and charge than that estimated by this Authority.

**SECTION 202.6:** No person shall install or operate in any improved property connected to the sewage collection system any garbage grinder equipped with a motor of  $\frac{3}{4}$  horsepower or greater, without prior written approval of this Authority.

**SECTION 203:** If two or more dwelling units, stores, offices, industrial units, etc., are connected to the sewer system through a single lateral or if two or more types of use are made at the same improved property, the sewer rentals and charges payable hereunder shall be computed as though each such dwelling unit, store, office, industrial unit, etc. and each such type of use were a separate improved property or user with a separate connection to a sewer.

**SECTION 204:** When more than one use occurs on any improved property, the sum of equivalent dwelling units for each separate use will apply in establishing wastewater rates and charges.

**SECTION 205:** Additional classifications and sewer rentals or charges or modifications of the above schedule or sewer rentals or charges may be established by this Authority from time to time as deemed necessary.

**SECTION 206:** Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prohibit this Authority from entering into separate agreements with owners (including any school) with respect to sewer rentals or charges to be imposed in those cases where, due to seasonal fluctuations or other unusual circumstances, the sewer rentals or charges set forth herein shall be deemed by this Authority to be unfair or inequitable.

This amendment to the Sewer Rentals or Charges shall take effect and be applicable to all bills for service on January 1, 2025. As adopted by the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024.