

Ordinance 2014-19

BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AMENDING CHAPTER 19, "WATER AND SEWER," SECTION 19-2 "CHARGES AND RENTS", SUBSECTION 19-2-2 "WATER CHARGES" AND SUBSECTION 19-2-3 "SEWER CHARGES" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 19, "Water and Sewer", Section 19-2 "Charges and Rents", Subsection 19-2-2 "Water Charges" and Subsection 19-2-3 "Sewer Charges" are hereby amended as follows (additions underlined; deletions in ~~strikeout text~~):

Subsection 19-2-2 Water Charges.

- a. Quarterly base charge for water connections
(per connection unit) \$~~37.50~~ 44.00 per unit
- b. Quarterly base charge for auxiliary residential
water-only connection (per connection unit), installed
as per subsection 19-2.5c \$25.00 per unit
- c. Water usage charge per each 100 cubic feet
of metered water usage (all account types except
auxiliary residential water-only connections) \$~~1.85~~ 1.96
- d. Water usage charge per each 100 cubic feet of metered water usage for
auxiliary residential water-only connections \$2.85 per unit
- e. Tanked water \$10.00 per
1,000 gallons
- f. Quarterly base charge for private fire service lines:

Size of fire service line	
2"	\$10.00
4"	\$50.00
6"	\$155.00
8"	\$335.00
10"	\$600.00

g. The Borough shall assess a charge of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars for all water meter readings not required for the calculation of quarterly water bills.

h. Water charges shall increase by an additional 1% on January 1, 2017.

(1991 Code § 227-8; Ord. No. 836 § 2; Ord. No. 1995-11 § 1; Ord. No. 1996-20 § 2; Ord. No. 2002-11; Ord. No. 2002-24; Ord. No. 2004-04; Ord. No. 2004-10; Ord. No. 2006-29)

Subsection 19-2-3 Sewer Charges.

The following charges and rents shall be charged for use of the sewer system. For premises connected with the water mains of the public water and sewer system owned by the Borough, a sum shall be charged in accordance with the following rates and be computed from the amount and use of water taken from the water mains during the most recently billed quarter of the calendar year as evidenced by the reading of the water meter for the premises. Sewer charges shall be based upon the following:

- a. Quarterly base charge for sewage connections (per connection unit) whether or not any water is used during the quarter ~~\$60.00~~ 74.00 per unit
- b. Sewage usage charge per each 100 cubic feet of metered water usage (all account types) ~~\$3.85~~ 4.06

c. Rates for a. and b. above shall increase by 1% effective January 1, 2017.

RECEIPT OF SEPTAGE/GREY WATER

- e. a. For processing of grey water delivered via tank truck by commercial entities:
 - (1) For the first 1,500,000 gallons delivered by a commercial entity within a calendar year ~~\$33~~ 37.00 per 1,000 gallons
 - (2) For volume in excess of 1,500,000 gallons delivered by a commercial entity within a calendar year \$26.00 per 1,000 gallons
 - (3) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.
 - For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per 1,000 gallons
 - For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons

d b. For processing of septic tank waste delivered via tank truck by commercial entities:

- (1) Septic containing less than 3% total solids:

- (1.1) For the first 1,500,000 gallons delivered by a commercial entity within a calendar year \$~~53~~ 58.00 per
1,000 gallons
- (1.2) For volume in excess of 1,500,000 gallons delivered by a commercial entity within a calendar year \$45.00 per
1,000 gallons
- (1.3) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.
 - For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per
1,000 gallons
 - For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per
1,000 gallons

(2) Septic containing greater than 3% total solids but less than 4% total solids:

- (2.1) Per 1,000 gallons \$~~63~~ 68.00
- (2.2) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.
 - For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per
1,000 gallons
 - For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per
1,000 gallons

(3) Septic containing greater than 4% total solids but less than 5% total solids:

- (3.1) Per 1,000 gallons \$~~73~~ 78.00
- (3.2) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.
 - For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per
1,000 gallons
 - For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per
1,000 gallons

(4) Septic containing greater than 5% total solids:

(4.1) Per 1,000 gallons ~~\$83~~ 88.00

(4.2) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.

For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per 1,000 gallons

For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons

(5) Septic (Jugglers):

(5.1) Per 1,000 gallons or any portion thereof ~~\$83~~ 88.00

(5.2) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.

For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per 1,000 gallons

For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons

(6) Car Wash:

(6.1) Per 1,000 gallons or any portion thereof ~~\$63~~ 68.00

(6.2) The contents of each tanker will be tested so as to determine the pH level of the material.

For material with a measured pH found to be between 5.0 and 5.5, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$ 5.00 per 1,000 gallons

For material with a measured pH found to be below 5.0, an additional surcharge will be assessed \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons

e c. Septic from Recreational Vehicles (RV): Per 1,000 gallons or any portion thereof \$10.00

¶ d. For processing of fats and grease derived solely from animal, and/or vegetable sources delivered via tank truck by commercial entities, BY APPOINTMENT ONLY: \$~~105~~115 per 1,000 gallons

¶ e. No petroleum oil or grease from mineral sources will be accepted at the Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant.

¶ f. The term "calendar year" as used in this Section shall be the period between January 1 and December 31.

(1991 Code § 227-9; Ord. No. 836 § 3; Ord. No. 1995-11 § 2; Ord. No. 1996-7 §§ 1, 2; Ord. No. 1996-20 §3; Ord. No. 2002-11; Ord. No. 2003-30; Ord. No. 2005-10; Ord. No. 2006-29; Ord. No. 2008-15; Ord. No. 2011-12; Ord. No. 2013-11)

Section 2. If any sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any persons or circumstances shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, or if by legislative action any sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall lose its force and effect, such judgment or action shall not affect, impair or void the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2015 upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Section 4. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Introduced: November 3, 2014

Adopted:

ATTEST:

Debra L. Sopronyi
Municipal Clerk

Steven Kirson
Mayor