

Renewable Water Resources New Account Fee Policy Interpretation

As of January 1, 2013, ReWa will only accept check or cashier's check for payment of the New Account Fee (NAF). All checks may be payable to Renewable Water Resources.

New Users (anyone requesting sewer treatment service from ReWa):

1. New Residential, Commercial and Industrial Users making new connections or increasing the size of a water meter will be charged a NAF based on the water meter size required to service each property. Multi-family residential units are serviced by one meter per building or buildings and are designed to house multiple family units. As of January 1, 2019, capacity fees for multi-family units and mixed use developments are based on South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) Regulation 61-67, Appendix A, Unit Contributory Loadings to all Domestic Wastewater Treatment Facilities.

Existing Users (anyone currently receiving sewer treatment services from ReWa):

2. For any existing user, the fee will be charged when a larger meter is required due to replacement, redevelopment or expansion. In such cases the user will be charged based on the incremental increase in the water meter size.
3. No credit will be provided in cases where an installed water meter is removed and not replaced within a 24 month time period from the removal date. This credit shall expire at the end of the 24 month period. Exception:
 - a. In cases where a water utility has removed a meter and replaces said meter free of charge, ReWa will not charge a NAF.
4. Where installed meters are replaced as provided in number 3 above, and where redevelopment or expansion results in different sizes or additional meters, credit for the cost of the existing meter(s) will be given toward the costs of the new meter(s); provided, however, credit shall not exceed the cost of the new meter(s).
5. Where a valid meter contract was acquired from a water district prior to November 1, 1995, the following applies:
 - a. The user will be allowed to replace a larger meter with a smaller meter(s) provided the cost of the new smaller meter(s) is less than the cost shown on the current Schedule of Charges for the original meter.

- b. In cases where the user exchanges a smaller meter(s) for a larger meter or group of smaller meters that have a cost greater than the original meter(s), the user will be charged the incremental increase in the cost between the original meter(s) and the new meter(s) as shown on the Schedule of Charges.
- c. For new customers who have proof of a subdistrict permit to connect that is dated prior to ReWa's NAF effective date of November 1, 1995, ReWa will review documentation and consider waiving the NAF.

General Provisions:

- 6. Where fees were paid but meters were not installed and there is a change in design, the fee will be refunded. A new application may then be filed accompanied by the appropriate fees.
- 7. All "credit" shall be based upon the current NAF Schedule published by ReWa.
- 8. Water meters installed for outdoor irrigation or other purposes and classified as "water only" accounts are exempt from such fee.
- 9. For new users who are not on a water system (i.e., well water), a NAF will be charged based on SCDHEC Regulation 61-67, Appendix A, Unit Contributory Loadings to all Domestic Wastewater Treatment Facilities to determine meter size.
- 10. If special or unusual circumstances are not addressed within the policy, the Chief Executive Officer has the authority to determine an appropriate interpretation of the NAF Policy.

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