



## TOWN OF CORTE MADERA / SANITARY DISTRICT 2

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### SEWER CONNECTION CHARGES (FY 2022-2023)

#### 1. District 2 Connection Charge: \$2,103

- Single family dwelling \$2,103 per lateral. If two laterals, the fee doubles.
- If a large house with a single lateral with 4 or more bathrooms, the fee doubles.
- For an apartment building with 10 units the fee would be 10 times \$2,103, or \$21,030.  
(See Ordinance 37, Sections 1 & 2, and Chapter 21.32 of the Corte Madera Municipal Code).

#### 2. CMSA Treatment Plant Charge which we collect:

- **\$7,666.16** per service unit connection charge for residential units, whether in single-family or multiple-family configuration (the same rules apply as determined by the schedule above, if two laterals, the fee doubles. If 4 or more bathrooms, the fee doubles.). This price includes 16 plumbing fixture units, if there are more than 16 plumbing fixture units as defined in the 2019 California Plumbing Code (CPC), use the per fixture costs below to calculate the total.
- **\$479.13\*** New sewer connection or expansion of an existing connection for residential, commercial, public agency, and all others users, except industrial and high strength users. Per plumbing fixture unit, as defined in the Uniform Plumbing Code (2019 CPC, Table 702.1).
- **\$1,121.18\*** High strength users, including restaurants and bakeries. Per plumbing fixture unit, as defined in the Uniform Plumbing Code (2019 CPC, Table 702.1).
- New industrial structures and/or those new sewer users which, as determined by the Agency's general manager, discharge special volumes or strengths of wastewater shall be charged a regional capacity charge established by Board action in each individual case.

**\* But not less than \$7,666.16 per connection, the minimum fee.**

#### 3. Sewer Permit Fees/Deposits:

(See Ordinance No. 44, Section 2 effective 7/20/15; and Chapter 21.28 of the Corte Madera Municipal Code)

- a) \$300 one-time fee for Spot Repair/Over-the-Counter work/Administration.
- b) \$500 one-time fee for New or Partial Replacement work.
- c) If more than one parcel, a \$500 deposit per parcel or unit up to a \$2,000 deposit for up to 4 parcels or 4 units, under a Cost-Based Fee Agreement.
- d) \$2,300 deposit for 5 or more parcels or units, plus \$300 for each additional parcel or unit, under a Cost-Based Fee Agreement.

For items c) and d), the actual amount of staff time is calculated when the work is completed and a refund will be disbursed for any unused portion. Additional staff time will be billed per Hourly Rate Schedule.

#### 4. Sewer User Service Charge:

- \$498 per sewer user unit plus \$2.00 collection charge. We do not collect this fee; it is an assessment on user's property tax bill. The Finance Department notifies the County of the assessment amount. (See Ordinance 43, Section 1; and Chapter 21.40 of the Corte Madera Municipal Code)
- The fee for a new commercial structure is based on the estimated amount of flow. The flow is monitored for approximately a year and the fee will be adjusted when the actual flow is determined.

#### Examples:

- Total new connection charge for an average single-family dwelling: \$2,103; plus \$7,666.16; plus \$500 = \$11,872.16.
- Total connection charge for remodeling of store with no bathroom into a restaurant with one bathroom (one toilet and one wash basin and one kitchen sink): 7 (CPC defines toilet as 6 units and wash basin as 1 unit) times \$479.13; plus 3 (UPC defines commercial sink as 3 units) times \$1,121.18 (high strength) equals \$6,717.45 which is less than the minimum so the CMSA charge is \$7,666.16, plus District 2 Connection Charge \$2,103; plus Town Staff Permit Fee \$500 = \$11,872.16.