

SEWER BILLING AND TAPPING FEE ANALYSIS

Hawk Mountain Planning Region	1996 QUARTERLY BILL	2010 QUARTERLY BILL	1996 TAPPING FEE	2010 TAPPING FEE
Centerport Borough		\$45.00 PER MTH		\$3,500.00
Centre Township (Dauberville, Hillcrest Estates, Jordan Crossing, Kingsgate)		\$180.00		\$5,355.00
Fleetwood Borough (Richmond Township)	\$67.00	\$25.00/5,000gal \$5.00/1,000 gal over	\$1,000.00	\$6,210.48
Hamburg Borough (Tilden Township, Windsor Township)	\$50.15	\$70.00/UNIT \$55.00/OV	\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00
Kutztown Borough (Maxatawny Township)	\$52.00		\$2,250.00	\$3,676.00
Lenhartsville Borough		\$50.00 PER MTH		\$2,500.00
Lyons Borough				\$2,800.00
Maidencreek Township (Ontelaunee Township, Richmond Township, Ruscombmanor Township)	\$66.00		\$2,015.00	
Maxatawny Township				\$5,000.00
Richmond Township		\$825.00 ANNUALLY		\$4,200.00
Shoemakersville Borough (Perry Township)	\$46.75	\$60.00/1st 11,000 gal \$3.75/1,000 over min	\$500.00	\$3,181.00
Strausstown Borough				
Tilden Township	\$90.00	\$180.00/QTR	\$680.00	\$2,000.00
Metro Planning Region	1996 QUARTERLY BILL	2010 QUARTERLY BILL	1996 TAPPING FEE	2010 TAPPING FEE
Antietam Valley Mun. Auth. (Exeter Township, Lower Alsace Township, Mt. Penn Borough)	\$59.00	\$30.00/1,000gls \$8.00/1,000gls over	\$2,000.00	\$4,000 and \$1,000 Escrow
Bern Township		\$58.43/ month \$3.35/1000 gal over		\$4,034.00
Cumru Township	\$54.75	\$87.00/7,500 gals, .013125/gals over	\$1,585.00	\$1,735.15
Joint Mun. Auth. Of Wyomissing Valley (Cumru Township, Mohnton Borough, Shillington Borough, Spring Township, West Reading Borough, Wyomissing Borough)	\$26.07	\$2.40/100 cu ft of water	\$1,325.00	\$2,020/ EDU
Kenhorst Borough		\$70.00/qtr over 12,500gal:.0054		
Leesport Borough (Bern Township, Ontelaunee Township)	\$47.25	\$65 MIN	\$2,000.00	\$3,000 MIN
Mohnton Borough	\$28.07	MIN 40.10	\$1,070.00	
Muhlenberg Township (Alsace Township, Laureldale Borough)	\$58.88	107.57/QT	\$555.00	\$9,040.00
Reading (Cumru Township, Kenhorst Borough, Laureldale Borough, Mohnton Borough)	\$82.50			
Shillington Borough	\$44.21	900 cf: \$60.47 over. 900 c f: \$6.71	\$1,070.00	\$2,202.00
Sinking Spring Borough	\$29.73	\$20.00/month/EDU Res: \$3.6/1000 gals water Comm: \$4.5/1000 gals water Ind.:\$5.5/1000 gals water	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
Spring Township		0-3.750 gals: \$22.80, \$4.56/750 gals over		Spring Wastewater Treatment Plant Basin: \$4,466.20 Reading-Tulpehocken Basin: \$227.45/ edu Reading-Wyomissing Basin: \$4,818.52
Wyomissing Borough	\$42.11	\$34.56 first 900 cu ft \$3.84 add 100 cu ft	\$1,071.00	\$0.00

Oley Hills Planning Region	1996 QUARTERLY BILL	2010 QUARTERLY BILL	1996 TAPPING FEE	2010 TAPPING FEE
Alsace Township				
Bally Borough	\$71.25	Res. \$100 up to 4,000 gal.; Non-Res. \$160 up to 15,000 gal.	\$2,700.00	\$2,600.00
Berks-Montgomery Mun. Auth. (Bechtelsville Borough, Colebrookdale Township)	\$75.00	\$100/QTR/EDU	\$3,700.00	\$8,313/EDU GB, \$4,292/EDU
Boyertown Borough	\$99.33	First 300 gals:\$29.07 \$8.57 Per 1,000 over	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Oley Township	\$75.00	\$10.50/1000 gal	\$1,900.00	\$2,518.00
Ruscombmanor Township (Golden Oaks, Village of Pricetown)		Golden Oaks: \$50/month Pricetown: \$57/month		Pricetown: \$3,500
Topton Borough (Longswamp Township)	\$41.00		\$1,000.00	\$6,000.00
Washington Township		\$231.25/QTR, FAC FEE:\$130		\$9,700.00
Southern Highlands Planning Region	1996 QUARTERLY BILL	2010 QUARTERLY BILL	1996 TAPPING FEE	2010 TAPPING FEE
Amity Township (Douglass Township, Earl Township, Union Township)	\$60.00	\$80.00/QTR	\$3,930.00	\$3,007.00
Birdsboro Borough (Union Township)	\$39.75	\$300.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,950.00
Caernarvon Township Douglass Township	\$86.00			\$3,200/ UNIT
Exeter Township (Alsace Township, Lower Alsace Township, St. Lawrence Borough)	\$71.90		\$3,100.00	
New Morgan Borough Robeson Township	\$84.00	\$104.00/QTR	\$2,060.00	\$2,485.00
Tulpehocken Planning Region	1996 QUARTERLY BILL	2010 QUARTERLY BILL	1996 TAPPING FEE	2010 TAPPING FEE
Bernville Borough (Penn Township)	\$56.75		\$1,000.00	\$3,500.00
Bethel Township (Village of Bethel, Village of Frystown)		\$65.00/Month		\$3,000 current Res. \$7,500 new Res.
Heidelberg Township	\$62.50	5,000 gals min=\$100.00, 1,000 over=\$3.25 less than 1,000 gals=.325	\$3,721.00	
Lower Heidelberg Township		\$60.00/5,000 gals \$5.90/1,000 over		
Robeson-Wernersville Municipal Auth. (Heidelberg Township, Lower Heidelberg Township, Robeson Borough, South Heidelberg Township, Wernersville Borough)	\$36.00	\$2.90/100 gals		
South Heidelberg Township Tulpehocken Township	\$50.00	VARIES 180/QTR	\$2,000.00	\$2,823.32
Wernersville Borough	\$105.90	\$34.50 MIN \$5.06 over 1,000	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00
Womelsdorf Borough	\$48.30		\$3,000.00	

NOTE: All response blocks left blank indicate that no information has been provided.

Sewer Billing and Tapping Fee Analysis: The impact of quarterly sewer service fees and tapping fees for residential, commercial and industrial users can be an economic driver or diverter. This table identifies both the quarterly bill and tapping fee for 1997 and 2011. Increasing either fee can be a burden which systems need to take on if improvements are needed to the plant to meet regulations and continued maintenance. The various systems within the County have different methods in determining the quarterly bill as shown by cubic feet or gallons. Tapping fees for water and waste water systems were first authorized by the state legislature by Act 203 of 1990 and Act 209 of 1990 and updated by Act 57 of 2003. Tapping fees are defined as a charge reflecting the capital costs to a property owner connecting to a water or wastewater system. The theory is that each new user should buy into the system before obtaining service. The payment for facility costs is not funded in user rates. The statutes provide clear documentation regarding the method which each water and wastewater system must utilize when determining the tapping fee. The tapping fee is individualized to each system do to the type and cost of capacity related facilities such as the treatment process, pump stations, interceptors and outfalls.