

DUTCHESS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

**TRADITION WASTEWATER SYSTEM
(Part-County Sewer District No. 11)**

ADOPTED Sewer Rate Schedule - Effective January 1, 2026

- A. SEWER CHARGES ARE BILLED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF THE BILLING CYCLE:

Billing Periods

December 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026

March 1 – May 31

June 1 – August 31

September 1 – November 30

December 1, 2026 – February 28, 2027*

NOTE: *Rates subject to change on January 1, 2027

- B. SEWER RATES

Sewer rates are charged on a flat-rate basis of \$200.37 per three-month period, or \$801.48 per year.

- C. MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

See following definitions.

Charges:	Rates:
Returned Check Charge	\$20.00
Property Transfer Charge - Buyer	\$25.00
Property Closing Charge - Seller	\$40.00

- D. PAST DUE BILL CHARGES

All arrears of sewer charges and penalties after each due date shall be subject to interest computed at the annual rate of 21% or 5.25% per billing period

- E. RELEVY OF UNPAID BILLS

In September/October of each year all accounts in arrears will be referred to the property tax collector for inclusion on the following year's January tax bill. Included in these amounts will be a late charge of up to 4 months for the total amount due.

- F. RETURNED CHECK CHARGE

There will be a charge for each returned check. The Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority (DCWWA) reserves the right not to accept checks in the future.

- G. PROPERTY TRANSFER CHARGE - BUYER

There will be a charge assessed each time title to a property changes or transfers. The charge will appear on the next scheduled billing for the new property owner. This fee will cover the cost of establishing a new customer account, along with preparing prorated bills as needed for both the new and former owner. A total fee of \$75.00 will be charged for both sewer AND water customers.

H. PROPERTY CLOSING CHARGE - SELLER

There will be a charge assessed to the current owner each time title to a property changes or transfers. The charge will appear on the final bill due on account and presented at closing of the property. This fee will cover operational and administrative costs incurred during the processing of account closeout. A total fee of \$100.00 will be charged for both sewer AND water customers.

Traditions Sewer System 2026 Adopted Budget

Customer Count - 84

EXPENSES

	2025	2026
OPERATION	Adopted	Adopted
LINE ITEMS	Budget	Budget

Accounting	120.22	191.13
Legal	100.00	100.00
Insurance	974.52	1,092.16
Telephone	48.00	73.00
Postage	215.10	330.51
Computer Equipment/Technical Support	478.48	1,796.74
Billing	1,614.95	3,788.46
Electric	700.00	500.00
Bookkeeping	1,213.09	1,998.22
Generator Maintenance	750.00	750.00
Permit Fees	330.00	330.00
Operation	11,306.09	13,405.05
Sludge Disposal	4,000.00	4,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	763.26	1,220.65
Equipment Repair & Maintenance - Plant	15,000.00	12,000.00
Buildings & Grounds	3,500.00	1,500.00
Equipment Repair & Maintenance - System	2,000.00	2,000.00

SUB TOTAL	43,113.71	45,075.92
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Operation Contingency	0.00	0.00
Administration	8,486.13	9,537.31
Debt Service (General)	303.31	474.00
Property Lease	11,653.20	12,119.33

OPERATION TOTALS	63,556.35	67,206.56
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INCOME

Sewer Payments	63,396.87	66,906.56
Sewer Penalties	159.48	300.00

TOTAL INCOME	63,556.35	67,206.56
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Sewer Rates would increase to a Flat Rate of \$200.37/billing period or \$801.48/year, a 2% increase

	2025	2026	Difference	
Average Annual Cost	\$785.76	\$801.48	\$15.72	2.00%