

CHAPTER 915
Sewer Connections

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CROSS REFERENCES

Power to license sewer tappers—see Ohio R.C. 715.27
Compulsory sewer connections—see Ohio R.C. 729.06
Regulations to control house sewers and connections—
see Ohio R.C. 729.51

915.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of Chapters 915 and 917 of this Code, the definitions set forth in Chapter 916 shall apply.
(Ord. 67-199. Passed 9-25-67.)

915.02 SEWER CONNECTION FEE ON UNASSESSED PROPERTY.

(a) No person, firm, or corporation shall be permitted to make a tap to or connection with a sanitary sewer or a combined sewer for the purpose of affording sanitary sewer service to abutting property that has not previously had sanitary sewer service where such property has not been assessed the cost and expense of the construction of such sewer until the applicant shall have paid a sewer connection fee to the City.

(b) The Finance Director shall set such fee as follows:

- (1) The estimated replacement cost of the assets of the City's sanitary sewer utility system less depreciation and less the amount of debt outstanding shall be divided by the total number of 5/8-inch water meters or meter equivalents in place system-wide.
- (2) The applicable meter equivalent ratio from the chart below shall be selected based on the size of the meter being installed at the property.
- (3) The result of the calculation in subparagraph (1) above shall be multiplied by the meter equivalent ratio.

Meter Size in Inches	Meter Equivalent Ratio
5/8	1.0
3/4	1.5
1	2.2
1-1/2	4.2

2	6.2
3	15.0
4	25.0
6	50.0
8	80.0
10	115.0
12	155.0

(c) A sewer connection for a property to be served by the sanitary sewer system, but not by the water system, shall be calculated by the Finance Director based on the size of the well meter, or some other measure that estimates the sewer capacity being made available to the property.

(d) A tap or connection to the sanitary sewer system that increases the size of the meter serving the property shall only be made after the payment of a sewer upgrade fee based on the difference between the size of the previous meter and the size of the new meter.

(e) The sewer upgrade fee shall be paid either in cash or by execution of a note therefor payable to the City over a period not to exceed five (5) years and billed to the owner by the City with each sewer bill during such period.

(f) The Finance Director shall recalculate the connection fee every two years. Any change in the fee as a result of such recalculation shall apply only to new connections applied for after the recalculation has been made.

(g) The sewer connection fee calculated as set out above shall be effective for any connections made on or after January 1, 2017, except that a property owner may connect if that owner pays the fee as calculated under the terms defined in Ordinance No. 13-311, passed December 23, 2013, before December 15, 2016.
(Ord. 13-311, passed 12-23-13; Ord. 16-102, passed 4-12-16)

915.03 ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.

The Services Director shall within a reasonable time, report the estimate to the City Commission in writing, after which the Commission may proceed with the issuance of the right and license to construct such sewer above referred to.
(Ord. 00-456. Passed 12-19-00.)

915.04 FEES; SEWER FUND.

The fee provided to be paid in Section 915.02 shall be in addition to all other fees, charges or deposits now or hereafter provided by law to be paid or deposited for the making of such taps or connections and construction of sewers, and the doing of other work incidental thereto. All fees payable hereunder shall be deposited in the Sewer Fund which is hereby established. The Fund shall be used for the maintenance and repair of the City sewer system, and for no other purpose whatsoever. The Director of Finance shall make a report annually of the receipts and disbursements of this Fund to the City Commission.
(Ord. 67-199. Passed 9-25-67.)

915.05 LICENSING SEWER TAPPERS.

No person shall engage in or carry on the business of building house connections with sewers or of tapping sewers within the City until he has obtained a license from the Health Commissioner in accordance with law and the provisions of this chapter. Such license shall be issued by the Health Commissioner in the manner herein provided for, and the fee therefor, for each person, shall be forty dollars (\$40.00) to the Clark County Combined Health District. Such licenses shall expire on December 31 of each year succeeding the date of issue and shall be

renewable annually upon the payment of the license fee and the renewal of the bond.
(Ord. 03-353. Passed 10-28-03.)

915.06 EXAMINATION FOR LICENSE.

Any person desiring to engage in the work or business of constructing house connections with sewers or tapping sewers shall apply to the Health Commissioner for a license for such purpose, and shall pay forty dollars (\$40.00) to the Clark County Combined Health District to take a sewer tappers examination. The Health Commissioner shall examine such applicant as to his practical knowledge of constructing house connections with sewers and of tapping sewers and if satisfied of the competency and reliability of such person to do such work, shall issue to him a license authorizing him to engage in the work or business of constructing house connections with sewers and of tapping sewers upon his compliance with the conditions hereinafter stated.

(Ord. 03-353. Passed 10-28-03.)

915.07 BOND REQUIRED; REVOCATION.

Every person, before receiving the license aforesaid, shall enter into a bond in the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) with sureties to the approval of the City Manager, conditioned that he will indemnify and save harmless the City from all accidents, liability and damage of every kind and nature caused by his negligence either in the execution of or protection of his work or for any unfaithfulness or inadequate work done under and by virtue of his license and that such licensee will comply with all ordinances of the City and all rules and regulations now in force or hereinafter provided. The City Manager may revoke any license for any violation of any of the ordinances of the City or for the violation of any rules and regulations or for any cause which the City Manager may deem just and proper.

915.08 UNLICENSED SEWER TAPPING.

No house connections with sewers shall be made and no sewer shall be tapped except by a person having a license as hereinbefore provided, and all house connections with sewers, and all sewer tapping shall be done under and according to such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the City Manager.

(Ord. 67-199. Passed 9-25-67.)

915.09 SEWER CONNECTIONS.

No person, firm or corporation shall be permitted to connect the sewage systems of two or more separate dwelling houses to one sewer connection. Each individual structure shall be connected with a sewer located in the street or right of way, if such a sewer is available.

(Ord. 67-199. Passed 9-25-67.)

915.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.