

**Woodridge Lake Sewer District Sewer Authority**  
**Town of Goshen**  
**County of Litchfield**  
**State of Connecticut**

**Rules and Regulations**

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1. GENERAL PERMITS - Pursuant to the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-247, the following are adopted as the rules and regulations (the "Rules and Regulations") of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District Sewer Authority (the "Authority"). The Authority was established pursuant to an Ordinance (the "Ordinance") adopted by the voters of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District (the "District") on July 26, 1971.
  - 1.1 The Woodridge Lake Sewer District sewerage system (the "System") consists of the District's (a) water pollution control facility and filtration fields on Brush Hill Road, the system of pipes, valves, pump stations, equipment and facilities connected to or used in conjunction with the operation of such facilities to collect, transmit and treat wastewater generated by residential and commercial establishments within the territorial limits of the District, and (b) the system of pipes, pump station(s), equipment and facilities to be constructed to convey wastewater from the District to the City of Torrington's water pollution control facility pursuant to the Regional Sewer Connection Project, Facilities Plan Summary Report, dated May 19, 2016, as may be amended and updated from time to time (the "Regional System").
  - 1.2 All users and prospective users of the must comply with the Ordinance, these Rules and Regulations, and, upon completion of the Regional System, the rules and regulations adopted by the Water Pollution Control Authority of the City of Torrington (the "Torrington WPCA"), as may be amended from time to time by the Torrington WPCA (the "Torrington Rules and Regulations"), as may be superseded by these Rules and Regulations. The Torrington Rules and Regulations are available at Torrington City Hall.
  - 1.3 The Secretary of the Authority is designated to continue to serve as custodian of the books, papers and documents of the Authority, and shall maintain a record of the proceedings of the Authority.
  - 1.4 Applications for permits to connect to the System shall be made on forms approved by the Members of the Authority (i.e., the Authority's governing board). The Authority's Plant Superintendent (the "Superintendent") shall approve or reject applications for permits to connect to the System. Appeals from any decision of the Superintendent shall be made to the Authority's Members.
  - 1.5 In considering any permit applications as may come before him/her, the Superintendent may take into consideration the following factors:
    - 1.5.1 The existing operating conditions of the System.
    - 1.5.2 The amount and nature of the proposed discharge.

- 1.5.3. The probable frequency or fluctuation of the proposed discharge.
- 1.5.4. The existing capacity of the System to service all of the properties in the District whether developed or not.
- 1.5.5. Any unusual health hazards then existing.
- 1.5.6. The need for extension of any sewer lines required by the proposed application.
- 1.5.7. The proximity of any other connections or other engineering factors or conditions which, in the judgment of the Superintendent, should be taken into account.
- 1.5.8. Whether the District has previously installed one or more curb stops to service the property to be connected to the System, and if so whether the District has been reimbursed for its costs for such installation, which amount is due and payable upon receipt of the permit application - if not so paid in full, the application shall be rejected.
- 1.5.9. Whether all District taxes have been paid in full by the owner(s) - if not so paid in full, the application shall be rejected.
- 1.6. The Superintendent shall render a written decision within 30 days of receipt of a completed application, including receipt of any Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (“DEEP”) approval which may be required, together with payment of all required fees.
- 1.7. If DEEP approval is required for any application, the Superintendent shall initiate a request for such approval within 15 days after the application has been received and otherwise completed in proper form, with payment of all necessary fees. The Superintendent shall furnish all information required by the DEEP to that agency promptly. Any fees required by the DEEP shall be paid by the applicant, and the applicant shall pay for any engineering or other professional services required in connection with seeking DEEP approval.
- 1.8. Any permit which is approved shall be valid for one year from the date of approval and shall expire at the end of such year unless before then connection to the System is made and approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
- 1.9. Connections to the System shall be inspected and approved by an engineer licensed in the State of Connecticut and acceptable to the District, at the sole cost of the applicant. The Superintendent must be given advanced notice to allow him/her to inspect the connection process. The engineer must certify to the District in writing that the connection has been properly completed in

accordance with these Rules and Regulations and any other local, state and federal requirements. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall thereafter provide final approval of the connection.

## 2. INITIAL AND SUPPLEMENTAL CONNECTION CHARGES

2.1. In the event an application is made to connect a property to the System, or in the event the use of a previously connected property is expanded or altered in such a fashion so as to increase the number of Dwelling Units (as defined in Section 2.2 below), the property shall be subject to a connection charge if the property and the use of said property is subject to one or more of the following classifications:

2.1.1. A property that has never previously been connected to the System or assessed by the Authority; or

2.1.2. A property that previously paid a connection charge to the Authority that receives a special benefit resulting from the connection to the System by virtue of the development and use of the property in a manner not contemplated at the time of initial connection charge; or

2.1.3. A property whose proposed or completed physical alteration or whose proposed or completed change in use shall increase the number of Dwelling Units; or

2.1.4. A property whose proposed or completed physical alteration or whose proposed or completed change in use shall increase the number of Dwelling Units.

2.2. Properties subject to the connection charge will be charged on a Dwelling Unit basis ranging from a minimum of one (1) Dwelling Unit to a maximum of the total number of existing Dwelling Units plus proposed Dwelling Units for which a zoning permit or certificate of occupancy is issued or sought. A Dwelling Unit may be located in either a residential or a commercial/industrial building.

2.2.1. Dwelling Unit is defined for a residential building as any single unit providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation. In the case of a residential building with more than one single unit but with only one building connection to the System, each single unit will be considered a separate Dwelling Unit and will be charged accordingly.

2.2.2. Dwelling Unit is defined for a commercial building as any fixture eventually discharging into the System that is reasonably expected to generate or is capable of generating up to 178 gallons of sewer discharge per day, or 65,000 gallons per year. In the case of a commercial building with more than one single building connection,

each single connection will be considered a separate Dwelling Unit and will be charged accordingly.

2.2.3. A property for which a connection charge has been paid shall be exempt from any future connection charge only for those Dwelling Units for which such charge has been levied and paid. Any additional Dwelling Units constructed or created on the property thereafter shall be subject to the connection charge in force at the time of the application to connect or add those Dwelling Units to the System. The Authority reserves the right to exempt any property from the connection charge when circumstances justify such exemption. Municipally owned and tax-exempt property shall be subject to the connection charge under the same conditions as are the owners of other property similarly situated.

2.2.4. At the time of application to connect to the System, the Authority shall calculate the connection charge and any inspection costs incurred by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.9 to be paid for the property and advise the owner and applicant in writing. Connection charges not paid in full when due shall be delinquent and liens may be placed against the property. Connection charges shall bear interest and be subject to collection in the same manner as provided for delinquent property taxes pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-258.

### 3. PERMIT FEES AND CONNECTION CHARGES

3.1. The table below contains the Sewer Permit Fees and Connection Charges for residential and commercial properties within the District. This fee schedule will be in effect for permit applications filed on and after the Effective Date indicated.

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Sewer Permit Fee (Per Dwelling Unit)</u>	<u>Connection Charge (Per Dwelling Unit)</u>
From date of adoption of these rules and regulations by the Authority to the end of 1998	\$200.00	\$1,550.00
1999	\$210.00	\$1,550.00
2000	\$220.00	\$1,600.00
2001	\$230.00	\$1,650.00
2002	\$240.00	\$1,700.00
2003	\$250.00	\$1,750.00
2004 and future years, unless these rules and regulations are modified.	\$260.00	\$1,800.00
Effective Date: December 15, 2018 (upon adoption of the 2018 revisions hereto)	\$300.00	\$3,500.00

Adopted by the Members of the Authority this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.