

Customer Costs – Single Family Home

Single-family homes that are required to connect to the Sarasota County central sewer system when the service becomes available in their neighborhood are subject to fees and rates approved by the Board of County Commissioners of Sarasota County, Rate Resolution No. 2013-187 as maybe amended and replaced and are subject to change:

Item	Description	Amount	Details	Additional Information
1	Sewer Capacity Fee	\$2,627.16	Financing is available for up to 20 years at 3.00% interest, billing is separate from the monthly utility bill and is billed monthly.	This fee must be paid in full or be financed at the time of application for service. This is the customer's share of costs to build and maintain wastewater treatment plants and related facilities. All new customers that connect to the county's central sewer system pay this fee. The current capacity fee is \$2,627.16 for a single family home. Please contact Utilities Connections for more information and requirements. If financed, there is a \$25.00 loan application fee and a \$14.70 fee for intangible tax and documentary stamp. The financed amount may be paid in full at any time with no penalty. The county requires any balance to be paid in full if the property changes ownership for any reason.
2	Sewer Readiness-to-Serve Charge	Estimated charge is \$34 - \$53 per month, based on average water use of 3,000 - 5,000 gallons. Customers that use a well for drinking water pay a flat fee of about \$46 per month.	Once connected sewer service will be billed monthly at \$14.89 per month plus \$7.54 per 1,000 gallons capped at 10,000 gallons.	Billing of the base charge of \$14.89 per month commences one year after notification that sewer service is available even if the property is not connected to the county's sewer system.
3	Sewer Surcharge	\$19 billed monthly.	There is no pay off amount for this fee at this time.	This surcharge is to off-set the remainder of the cost of the sewer collection system that is not included in the non-ad valorem assessment. Billing of this fee commences one year after notification that sewer service is available even if the property is not connected to the county's sewer system.
4	Non-ad Valorem Assessment	\$165 billed annually with property taxes for a minimum of 20 years, OR \$2,345, if paid in full at the time of application for service.	This fee is not required to be paid in full as it is an automatic assessment that occurs.	The non-ad valorem assessment covers the cost of the sewer collection system in your neighborhood. It is not required to be paid in full in advance and is billed annually on property tax bills. Owners are not required to file anything. The amount of pay off varies depending on the year of construction: please call for correct amount if paying it off in one lump sum.
5	On-lot Expenses	Varies, dependent on site-specific conditions.	Plumbing costs vary so it is recommended that several quotes be obtained.	This is the cost of abandoning customer's septic system and connecting the home to central sewer. The property owner pays this amount directly to the plumber hired to perform the work.