

2026 Building Sewer Inspection Fees Table

MSD Rules and Regulations Article XVIII Section 1809

Feet of Pipe	251-350	351-500	501-650	651-800	801-950	951-1100	1101-1250	1251-1400
Hrs Required for Inspection (est)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Fee	\$120	\$240	\$360	\$480	\$600	\$720	\$840	\$960

- I. No inspection fee charged for Building Sewers less than 250 feet in length.
- II. Permits issued for work scheduled under 250 feet in length can be subject to a \$120 minimum charge for required subsequent visits by an MSD inspector.
- III. For building sewers in excess of 1,400 feet, the contractor is required to submit, in writing, an estimate for the number of work hours they are expected to be working. Based upon this estimate, MSD will require an inspection fee equal to 2 hours of inspection time per 8-hour shift. For example, if a licensed sewer tapper is expecting to be working for five 8-hour days, then MSD will require an inspection fee of 4 days X 2 hours per day X \$120 per hour = \$960.
- IV. MSD's inspection fee fluctuates each year based upon Section 1809 of MSD's Rules and Regulations. Currently the fee is \$120/hour.



2026 Main Line Inspection Fee Deposit Tabulation Sheet

Project Name: _____

Sewer Number: _____

MSD Licensed Sewer Contractor's Company Name: _____

MSD Tapper License #: MT00 _____ HMD/CMD #: _____

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Total Number of Manholes: _____ x \$810 per Manhole = _____

Total Length of 8" or Larger Main: _____ x \$8.00 per LF = _____

Total Amount of Deposit: \$ _____

Check Amount: _____ Check No.: _____

Payer: _____

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*The above fees are based upon \$120/hr.
If additional inspection is necessary, appropriate fees will be billed.*

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Approximate Sewer Construction Starting Date: _____

Licensed Sewer Contractor's

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Receipt Number: _____

2026 Charges and Assessment Credit Adjustments

Effective January 1, 2026

SECTION	SERVICE/ITEM	2025 CHARGE	2026 CHARGE
1007	Fee for preparation of as-built drawings	\$540 for first two segments - \$110 each additional segment	\$590 for first two segments - \$120 each additional segment
1212	Sewer Tapper License Fee	\$220	\$240
1403	Holding Tank Discharge Permit Fee	\$220 per vehicle	\$240 per vehicle
1404	Holding Tank Waste Disposal Fee	\$8 per 100 gals. Holding Tank Capacity	\$8 per 100 gals. Holding Tank Capacity
1540	One-Time Discharge Permit Fee	\$490 each	\$530 each
1809	Construction Inspection Fee	\$110 per hour	\$120 per hour
1216A	Single Family Assessment Credit	\$10,800	\$11,800

Sewer Tap Permit Fee

WATER METER SIZE	2025 FEE	2026 FEE
5/8" & 3/4"	\$5,420	\$5,900
1"	\$9,820	\$10,680
1 1/2"	\$22,450	\$24,430
2"	\$40,410	\$43,980
3"	\$91,640	\$99,720
4"	\$163,650	\$178,080
6"	\$370,190	\$402,820
8"	\$659,140	\$717,230
10"	\$1,029,330	\$1,120,050
12"	\$1,480,750	\$1,611,270



2026 Sewer Tap Permit Fees and Document Requirements

Development Services

Mailing Address: 1600 Gest St., Cincinnati, Ohio 45204

Office: 1035 Woodrow St., Cincinnati, Ohio 45204

(513) 244-1300 (Option 2)

www.msdc.org/development

MSDTapPermits@cincinnati-oh.gov

Items Necessary to Acquire a Sewer Tap Permit from MSD Include:

1. Approved Availability of Sewer Service application.
2. A contractor that is licensed by MSD.
3. Completed MSD Sewer Tap Permit application form.
4. Copy of the building permit.
5. Appropriate Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) form (in special cases a letter stating the domestic meter size).
6. Detailed site plan, showing the building sewer with sea level elevation at the sewer main and the lowest floor elevation of the building. For developments tributary to sanitary sewers, the site plan must demonstrate that no clean water connections such as a foundation or footer drains are connected to the sanitary building sewer.
7. The sewer main being tapped must have been tested and approved.
8. Street opening permit, where applicable (State, County, City of Cincinnati and other municipalities).

Please Note:

- All permits for stormwater connections to a City of Cincinnati storm sewer will be issued by the city's Stormwater Management Utility (SMU) at (513) 591-5050 or StormwaterManagement@cincinnati-oh.gov.
- For permits to convert from a septic system to sewer service, a Sewer Tap Permit Fee per the fee schedule listed below is due unless the property is a single-family residence or a condominium. The Sewer Tap Permit Fee for such a permit is \$480.00 for a single-family residence or condominium unit.
- Visit our website at www.msdc.org/development for forms and instructions.

Sewer Tap Permit Fees are Effective January 1, 2026

Please make check payable to "Treasurer, City of Cincinnati/MSD"

Meter Size	Up to 3/4"	1"	1 1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"	10"	12"
Sewer Tap Permit Fee	\$5,900	\$10,680	\$24,430	\$43,980	\$99,720	\$178,080	\$402,820	\$717,230	\$1,120,050	\$1,611,270

The above Sewer Tap Permit Fee schedule is based upon the size of the domestic water meter providing service to the structure as required by the MSD Rules & Regulation (Section 1215). All properties shall be subject to all applicable sewer service charges, assessments, connection charges, and sewer tap permit fees which have been or may be established by the Board of County Commissioners in effect at the time such fees are collected.

- Full time inspection (\$120 per hour) required on 8" inch building sewers or larger with manholes and for special services.
- Sewer main installations require a deposit based on: \$8.00 per linear foot and \$810 per manhole (based upon \$120 per hour).