

**Somerset Town Code Section 152-30. Rate schedule provides as follows:**

- A. The rate schedule is established so that sufficient revenue is collected to meet the debts presently incurred or to be incurred by the Somerset-Barker Sewer District. The rate schedule, as amended from time to time by resolution of the Town Board, is on file with the Town Clerk.
- B. Billing:
  - 1. The Indirect Benefit Charges, the Direct Benefit Charges and Unit Charges shall be billed via the County and Town tax bill and shall be payable herewith.
  - 2. The User Charges shall be billed quarterly via the Town of Somerset billing system and shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the date of billing. Past due amounts shall receive a surcharge of 10% added to the following quarterly bill and every past due unpaid balance thereafter. Any unpaid user charges on or before October 1<sup>st</sup>, shall be assessed against the user's property on the next current Town tax bill.
  - 3. All rates shall be reviewed annually. User Charges shall provide sufficient funds for continued operation and maintenance of the publicly owned treatment works. Unexpended revenue shall be transferred to the budget established for the following year.
- C. An Indirect Benefit Charge shall be levied on all parcels within the Sewer District which do not have sanitary sewers directly available for use.
- D. The Direct Benefit Charge shall be levied on all parcels within the Sewer District which have sanitary sewers directly available for use, whether or not the owner has made connection to the sewer.
- E. The Unit Charge and User Charge shall be levied against property owners that have made connection to the sewer.
- F. The first repair of a vent pipe in the town-owned portion of a sewer service connection shall be free. Subsequent repairs shall be \$50.

**SEWER RATE SCHEDULE**

User Charge - <b>Gravity</b> (There shall be a minimum charge based On 8,000 gallons per quarter)	\$2.25/1,000 gallons of metered water usage
User Charge - <b>Grinder Pump</b> (There shall be a minimum charge based On 8,000 gallons per quarter)	\$2.25/1,000 gallons of metered water usage – homeowner pays electric charges
<b>Industrial User</b>	Established by individual contract
Tap fee for Gravity Sewer	\$1,200.00
Grinder Pump Unit (Includes tap, setting of pump, testing, Inspection and preventive maintenance) The cost of repairs and replacement are the expense of the homeowner.	\$5,000.00
Sewer Vent Pipe Repair	First repair free, per homeowner, per parcel (as of May 2010); each repair thereafter is \$50
Misuse and Abuse	Time and materials cost
Seasonal Fee for Startup/Shutdown (Grinder Pump)	\$10 for startup \$10 shutdown

**Final Billings:**

When a sewer inspection occurs for a final reading, the first inspection is free. There will be a \$50 charge if we have to go back for a second inspection. This includes having to do a second inspection if we find a violation.

**Summer Credit:**

A formula is used to determine each resident's expected usage for the summer months. If the usage is exceeded, a credit will appear on the resident's quarterly bill for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters for the excess usage due to summer activities.

**Charges appearing on tax bill:**

Somerset Sewer	SD390 (Unit Charge - Direct)	\$120/unit
Somerset Sewer	SD390 (Direct and Indirect Charge)	.17/1,000 (Assessed Value)
Som Sewer <300'	SD391 (Direct Charge)	.20/ft
Som Sewer >300'	SD392 (Direct Charge)	.02/ft
Som Sewer-nonuser	SD393 (Per contract)	
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Note: These rates may be adjusted periodically to reflect change in costs to the district.