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The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) protects the environment and public health by collecting and treating wastewater and returning clean water to local streams and rivers.

Your sewer bill pays for clean water, including:

- **Collecting and Treating Wastewater**
Wastewater, also known as sewage, is what goes down your drain or gets flushed down the toilet. Wastewater travels through sewer pipes to a treatment plant where it is cleaned and released back into local waterways.

MSD operates and maintains the public sewer system and wastewater treatment plants. Costs range from personnel, equipment, chemicals, and electricity to major upgrades to our sewers and plants.

- **Reducing Sewer Overflows**
During heavy rains, MSD's sewers can fill up with too much stormwater, causing overflows into local streams and rivers and backups into the basement of buildings.

MSD is working to reduce sewer overflows and address basement backups through its Wet Weather Program.

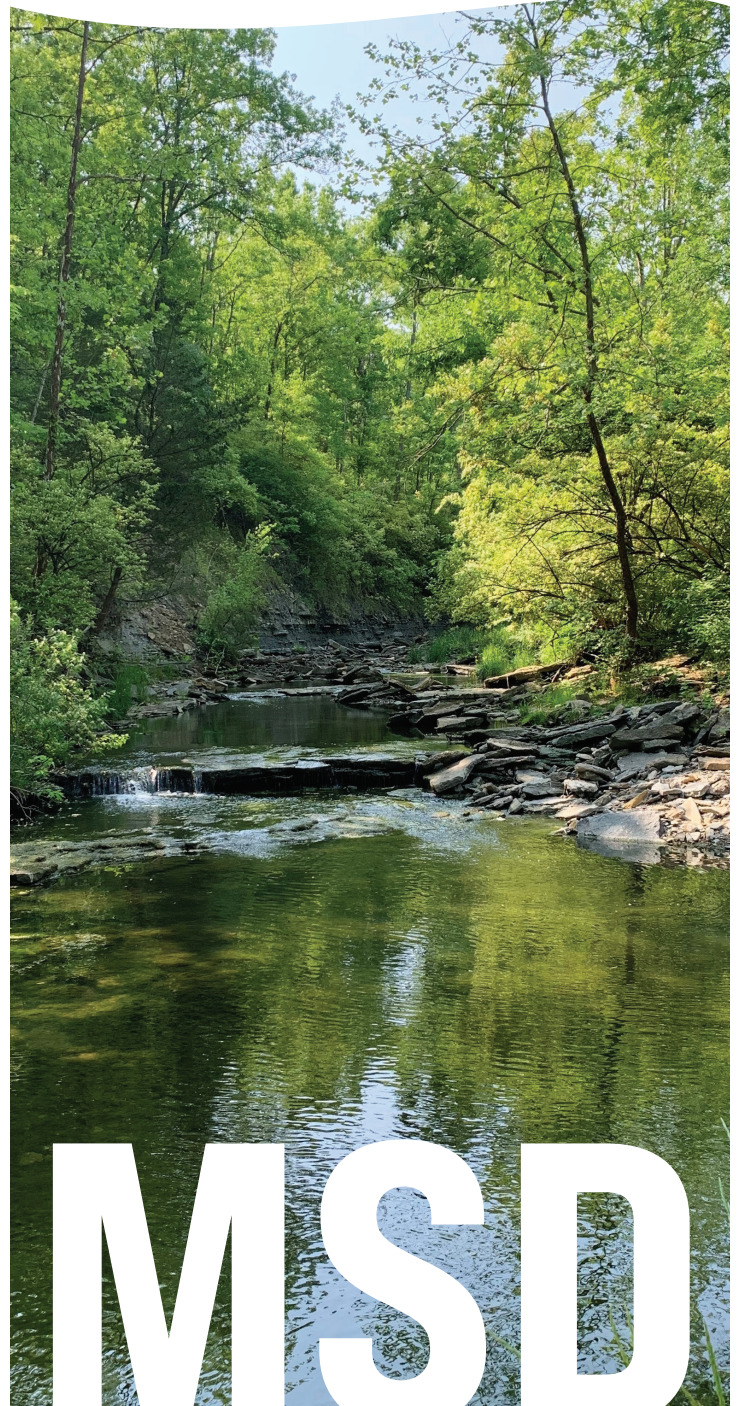
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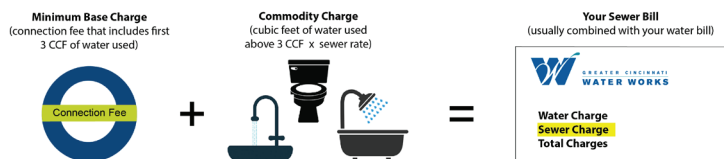
What's New in 2024?

- 3% sewer rate increase effective Jan. 1, 2024**
 The increase will cost the average single-family household an additional \$1.50 per month, or about \$18/year, for a total of about \$650/year.
- Customer Assistance Program (CAP)**
 MSD continues to offer a 25% discount to low-income seniors who own their home: msdgc.org/CAP.

Your Sewer Bill

Sewer bills are based on the amount of water used by a property. Your sewer bill consists of two separate charges:¹

- Minimum base charge
- Commodity charge



Minimum Base Charge:

The minimum base charge is a fixed charge for being connected to the public sewer system. It is applied to all customers based on the size of the property's water meter and includes the first 3 CCF² of water used each month, based on 30 days³ of service. Most residential customers are charged \$41.50 per month.

Meter Size (inches)	Minimum Base Charge	25% CAP Discount
5/8	\$ 41.50	\$ 31.13
3/4	\$ 53.51	\$ 40.13
1	\$ 73.36	\$ 55.02
1 1/2	\$ 124.66	\$ 93.49
2	\$ 176.57	\$ 132.43
3	\$ 453.17	\$ 339.88
4	\$ 750.51	\$ 562.88
6	\$ 1,482.84	\$ 1,112.13
8	\$ 2,212.60	\$ 1,659.45
10	\$ 2,956.65	\$ 2,217.49
12	\$ 3,413.71	\$ 2,560.28

Commodity Charge Rates:

The commodity charge is a water usage charge applied to all customers who use more than 3 CCF of water each month. This charge is calculated by multiplying the CCF of water used above 3 CCF by the established sewer rate (see table).

The commodity charge for residential customers is based on their water usage during the winter period.⁴ Commercial and industrial customers do not have a winter period.

First 3 CCF	<i>Included in the minimum base charge</i>	
	Sewer Rate	25% CAP Discount
Greater than 3 CCF, up to 50 CCF	\$6.237/ CCF	\$4.678/ CCF
	Sewer Rate	25% CAP Discount
More than 50 CCF	\$4.987/ CCF	\$3.740/ CCF

Notes:

¹ Commercial/industrial customers may be charged additional fees to cover the costs associated with their discharges.

² 1 CCF = 100 cubic feet or 748 gallons

³ If > or < than 30 days of service, the amount is prorated.

⁴ Winter Period: Many residential customers (single and two-family homes) use a lot of water during the warmer months that never enters the sewer system (e.g., for watering lawns, gardening). Since sewer bills are based on water usage, MSD uses a customer's average water consumption during the winter months of January, February, and March as the maximum water usage per month for the rest of the year. This is called the "winter period." In the months of January, February, and March, the commodity charge for residential customers is based on the actual amount of water used. In the months of April through December, the commodity charge is based on whichever is less: (a) the actual amount of water used in that month or (b) the maximum water usage set during the winter period. If there are greater or less than 30 days of service, the amount is prorated.

A new winter period maximum water usage rate is established each year during the winter period.