

**LOWER SAUCON TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION #26-2019

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PERMIT APPLICATION FEE SCHEDULE FOR ONLOT
SEWAGE SYSTEMS IN LOWER SAUCON TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Council of Lower Saucon Township has enacted Ordinance No. 87-13 (as amended by Ordinance No. 89-6 and 95-5), entitled “AN ORDINANCE DEFINING AND REGULATING THE INSTALLATION, CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION AND REPAIR OF INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITY ONLOT SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS; REQUIRING PERMITS FOR AND PROVIDING FOR INSPECTION AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES”; and further codified by (Township Code Chapter 130, Article II) Entitled “Onlot Sewage Disposal Systems”; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Lower Saucon Township wishes to improve the administration of the application process for Onlot Sewage Permits; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Lower Saucon Township wishes to establish a schedule of fees for Onlot Sewage Permits, and Sewage Facilities Planning for Land Developments and Subdivisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved and it is hereby resolved by the Council of Lower Saucon Township that the Schedule of Fees for Onlot Sewage Permits are fixed as follows:

1. All “whereas” clauses are incorporated therein by reference.
2. All fees be made payable to Lower Saucon Township.
3. The total fees paid at the time of permit issuance must be equal to the most recently adopted fee schedule.
4. All site evaluation be conducted as per Section 130-15, D(3) of the “Lower Saucon Township Onlot Sanitary Sewer Ordinance §130.7, and in accordance with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection’s Regulations.
5. Actual permit fees, soil testing fees, and inspection fees are non-refundable even in case of failure or rejection.
6. All other resolutions inconsistent herewith are repealed.

I. Individual Permits

A. Fees for Non-Carbonate Areas

1. Application Fee \$700.00
 - a. Includes up to four (4) soil probe observations, initial design review and one (1) revised design review; (additional soil probes evaluated at \$75.00 each, additional revised design reviews are \$100.00 each submission.)

B. Fees for Carbonate Geology Areas

1. Application Fee \$800.00
 - a. Includes up to four (4) soil probe observations, initial design review and one (1) revised design review; (additional soil probes evaluated at \$75.00 each, additional revised design reviews are \$100.00 each submission).

C. Fees for Repairs to Existing Systems

1. Application Fee \$350.00
 - a. Includes up to two (2) soil probe, observations, initial design review, and (additional probes evaluated at \$75.00 each, revised design reviews are \$100.00 each submission).

- D. Soil Testing
 - 1. Percolation Test (each) \$450.00
 - a. Prepared and conducted by the Township Sewage Enforcement Officer.
 - 2. Percolation Test Witnessing \$360.00
 - a. Maximum of two (2) sites tested simultaneously on the same lot.
- E. Inspections (New and Repair Permits)
 - 1. Inspections – Elevated Systems \$660.00
 - a. One (1) preconstruction meeting and four (4) inspections.
 - 2. Inspections – In-Ground systems \$360.00
 - a. One (1) preconstruction meeting and two (2) inspections.
- F. Callback Fee/Minor Repairs/Modifications \$135.00
 - 1. A callback fee will be imposed under the following circumstances:
 - a. A contractor or consultant for the applicant is not present at the scheduled time and requires the Sewage enforcement Officers to reschedule the appointment.
 - b. The Sewage Enforcement Officer is required to conduct an additional inspection because the Contractor was not ready as scheduled or the installation to be inspected was not installed correctly, and would require the Sewage Enforcement Officer to conduct an additional inspection.
 - c. If a percolation test is canceled after one (1) of the Sewage Enforcement Officer required observations has already been conducted, i.e., the Sewage Enforcement Officer observed the required initial presoak of the percolation test the day before the test was to be conducted and the following day the applicant canceled the remainder of the test. Therefore, when the testing is reschedule, the Sewage Enforcement Officer would have to re-observe the initial presoak the day before the rescheduled test.
 - d. The issuance of Permit and inspection of minor repairs such as; treatment tank baffle repair, repair or replace broken building sewer or delivery pipe, installation of tank manhole extensions, etc.

II. Subdivision and Land Development

- A. Initial escrow deposit with the Township of \$250.00 per lot or \$2,000.00 minimum, to cover soils testing and planning module review (NOTE: this work does not qualify for reimbursement by the State.)

NOTE: All testing and planning cost shall be reimbursed by the Developer to the Township. The costs of services to be reimbursed by the Developer will be in accordance with the adopted Township Engineer Fee Schedule in place at the time the services were provided.


III. Violation/Malfunction Enforcement Activities

- A. All activity necessary for the investigation and enforcement of DEP regulations as they relate to observable, confirmed violations shall be charged at \$75.00 per hour plus any associated lab testing fees, and shall be assessed to the violator up to the point that the application for repair has been completed and submitted for approval. The violator will be charged these fees along with the application fees.

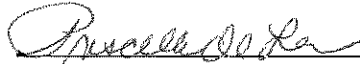
ADOPTED AND ENACTED this 7th day of January, 2019.

Attest

Lower Saucon Township



Leslie Huhn
Township Secretary



Priscilla deLeon
Council President