

WATER AND SEWERAGE CONNECTIONS GUIDELINES FOR REGULATED WATER UTILITIES

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Background Information

- Functions of EWURA have been stipulated in EWURA Act cap.414 sec 7,Water and Sanitation Act (2009) Section 28 (1)
- Monitoring the quality and cost of services provided by water utilities,
- Wide variation on connection charges across the regulated water utilities.
 - High connection charges are among the barriers for improving access to water and sanitation services particularly.
- Study on New Water and Sewerage Connection Charges.



WATER CONNECTIONS

Introduction

- ✓ Water utilities in the country had different new connection procedures for water and sewerage.
- ✓ The purpose of Guidelines is to create standard operating procedures that can be monitored and evaluated fairly for all Regulated Water Utilities (RWUs).

Description of a water connection

✓ "Water service line conveying water from the distribution network of RWU to the customer property".



New connection Procedures

- Application form
- Survey of applicant property
 - \checkmark To identify of connection point and distance
 - \checkmark Design the service line;
 - Note: The cost of survey is borne fully by the RWU
- **Cost estimates**
 - ✓ RWU will prepare cost estimates.
- Sharing of cost estimates with customer
 - \checkmark To be completed within 3 working days
 - \checkmark RWU shall provide feedback and clarification
- Metering
 - \checkmark Every water connection shall be metered



New Connection Procedures Cont....

- Payment
 - ✓ RWU may accept payments in full or by installments
 - ✓ Payments by installments shall not exceed 3, payable within three months period
- Connection work
 - ✓ Connection will be made immediately after full payment
 - Publication of unit cost
 - \checkmark Unit cost will be published by RWU on regular basis.
 - **Compliance to customer Service Charter**
 - ✓ Comply with Rule No. 4 of the Water Supply And Sanitation Rules (Quality Of Service) GN. 176 rules, 2016
 - Procurement of materials

 \checkmark Procurement of materials will be done by RWU



Ownership, Maintenance & Cost Issues

Ownership and control of service line

 ✓ Property of customer under control of the RWU. As in Rules 10 and 11 of The Water Supply and Sanitation (Quality of Service) Rules, 2016.

Maintenance of customers connections

✓ Repair and maintenance after the water meter is the responsibility of the customer.

Connections in un-surveyed areas

 RWU and the Applicant shall jointly seek assistance of the LGA

Reducing the cost of water connection

 Part of the new connection cost may be financed by the RWU, and include in the approved Business Plan



SEWERAGE CONNECTIONS

- Procedures for new sewerage connection
 - **Application**
- Survey of applicant property
 - **Cost estimate**
- Sharing of cost estimate with customer
 - Payment
 - **Connection work**
 - Publication of unit cost displayed at notice board
- Connect customer
- Procured materials



Ownership & Maintenance

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The customer ownership shall be from the lateral sewer chamber/control chambers upstream

Repair and maintenance of sewerage connection

The repair and maintenance of a customer connection from the lateral sewer chamber/control chamber upstream is the responsibility of the customer



Thank You