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APPROVED REGULAR TARIFF FOR OTHAYA MUKURWEINI WATER SERVICES COMPANY (OMWASCO)

APPROVED TARIFF STRUCTURE FOR THE PERIOD 2024/2025 TO 2027/2028 CORRIGENDUM

WHEREAS Gazette Notice No. 12827 of 2024, published the water and sanitation tariffs for Othaya Mukurweini Water and Services Company (OMWASCO); And whereas, upon further review and consideration of Nyeri County Government subsidy provision for OMWASCO, it has been determined that the tariffs need to be revised downwards;

Therefore, pursuant to section 72 (1) (b) and (2) of the Water Act 2016, the Water Services Regulatory Board revokes the tariff structure published in Gazette Notice No. 12827 of 2024.

Consequently, it is notified that the revised water and sanitation tariffs for OMWASCO for the period 2024/2025 to 2027/2028 shall be as follows:

- 1. Approved Tariff Structure
- 1.1 Water Tariff Structure for the Period 2024/2025 to 2027/2028

Consumer Categories	Consumption Block (M³)	Approved Tariff (KSh./m³)
	1-6	70
	7-20.	100
	21-50	115
	51-100	125
	101-300	130
Domestic/Residential	>300	140
	Flat rate	115
	1-50	100
	51-100	110
	101-300	120
	>300	140
	1-50	100
	51-100	110
	100-300	120
	>300	140
	1-600	90
	601-1200	110
Public Schools	>1200m3	120
Unique Consumer Categories – Water Kiosk	Per m3	50



Customers with non-functional meters shall be billed based on the average of the last three months' bills.

- 1.2 Sewerage Tariff for the period 2024/2025 to 2027/2028
- 1.2.1 Consumers with a Water Connection
 - (a) Sewerage will be charged at 75% of the water volumes, billed at the tariff for water specified (in 1.1) above for all customer categories.
 - (b) Disconnected water accounts shall be charged based on the average sewerage charges for the last three months before the disconnection.
- 1.2.2 Customer with no water connection

Sewerage consumers without a water connection shall be charged as follows:

- (a) Domestic customers without a metered water source (per single dwelling unit): KSh. 350 per month;
- (b) All other categories: 75% of the volume of water consumed per the metered water source, including boreholes, at the rates specified in (1.1) above.
- 1.3 Indexation

The utility's approved tariffs for water and sewerage shall be eligible for annual indexation, as per the Water Services Regulatory Board (WASREB) regulations. The inflation adjustment shall come into effect every July of the tariff period, commencing July 2026.

1.4 Miscellaneous Charges

Item/ Service	Charge (KSh.)
Water Deposit	
Category of Consumer	
Domestic	2,500
Retail shops less than 10m3	3,000
Retail shops more than 10m3	3,500
Bar and restaurants less than 15 m3	4,000
Bar, restaurants more than 15 m3	6,000
Hotel class "A" and "B" less than 150 m3	12,000
Hotel class "A" and "B" more than 150 m3	15,000
Hotel class "C" and 'D' less than 150 m3	18000
Hotel class "C" and 'D' more than 150 m3	20,000
Hospitals more than 150 m3	20,000

Item/ Service	Charge (KSh.)			
Health centres less than 150 m3	12,000			
Schools and other institutions more than 200 m3	20,000			
Schools less than 200 m3	10,000			
Minor construction sites of more than 200 m3	15,000			
Major construction sites more than 300 m3	50,000			
Light industries less than 200 m3	30,000			
Medium industrial between 200 m3 and 300 m3	50,000			
Heavy industries of more than 300 m3	100,000			
Water Kiosks	5,000			
Customers with only sewer connection are to be charged a deposit equivalent to a water connection.				
Other Charges				
Service				
New water connection fee – Connection size: ½ inch to 1 inch	2,500			
New water connection fee - Connection size: 1.5 inches to 3 inches	7,500			

New water connection fee – Connection size above 3 inches	15,000
Water Reconnection fee – at meter point	1,000
Water Reconnection fee – at mains	5,000 and double deposit
Tanker – 8000, 16,000 litres	2,500 and 5,000, respectively, per tanker within the WSP area for all consumers
Sale of water per m3 at Bowsing Point (own tanker)	KSh.100
Replacement of stolen or damaged meters	100% of the market cost of the meter
Meter testing on request	1,500
Special meter reading under customer's request	500
Sewer Connection– Residential/ Domestic	5,000
Sewer Connection— Commercial, Government, Schools, Universities and Colleges	7,500
Sewer Connection- Industrial	15,000
Private sewer unblocking	2,500
Leak detection services	1,000
Sewer Reconnection fee	15,000
Printing of customer's statement under own request	200
Cutting off the supply at the request of the consumer	500
For turning on the supply other than in respect of a first connection	200
Exhauster Services (Company Exhauster)	5,000 for other customers and 4,000 for informal settlements within the WSP area for all consumers, and Kshs 100 per kilometer
	for regions outside the service area.
Private Exhausters (Dumping into the company's sewer system)	15,000 per Truck per month within the WSP area for all consumers
Penalties	
Illegal water connection –Commercial, Industry, Construction (Fraud)	100,000 plus estimated consumption during the period of illegality
Illegal water connection (Fraud) – Domestic	30,000 plus estimated consumption during the period of the illegality
Overcharging (fraud) at water kiosk	15,000
Illegal sewer connection- Commercial, Industry, Construction	100,000
Illegal sewer connection- Domestic, Government, Schools, Universities, and Colleges	30,000
Self-reconnection after cut-off for non-payment	5,000 and billing to be backdated from the date of cut-off
Surcharge for tampering with meters (this to include meter removal, reversing of meter, etc.)	5,000
Surcharge for direct suction of water from the supply line using a pump	10,000

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