
DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to all District work:

AGENCY: Any political subdivision of the State of California acting as a body in accordance with the appropriate enabling legislation.

AGENT: Any individual, corporation, partnership or other legal entity representing the interests of the owner.

APPLICANT: An individual, agent, owner or agency making application for permission to connect and to make use of the District's sanitary sewer facilities.

BANQUET FACILITIES: A designated area which is occasionally used by commercial establishments for restaurant seating for groups of customers in addition to the regularly used restaurant seating. The District factor rating for banquet facilities is based upon the maximum number of seats used on the property at any one time. These banquet seats are charged 36 percent of a restaurant seat. Banquet seating shall not be used in the day to day operation of a restaurant; or for more than 50 percent of the time; or for non-banquet purposes. Seats which do not meet the criteria for banquet seats shall be rated as restaurant seats.

BAR SINK: A single square or rectangular sink which does not exceed 15 inches in length or width, and 7 inches in depth; or a round sink which does not exceed 15 inches in diameter. It shall not be the primary sink in a residential unit. If a bar sink is installed in a room which is not made available for rental purposes and does not have a kitchen, kitchenette, or any cooking facilities, and which is located within a residential unit which already contains a kitchen sink, there will be no connection charges or service charges assessed for the room.

BARBER SHOP: An establishment whose primary purpose is washing, cutting, and styling hair, and where color tints or dyes are not used and permanent waves are not usually given.

BEAUTY SHOP: An establishment whose primary purpose is washing, cutting, and styling hair, and where color tints or dyes are used and/or permanent waves may be given.

BENCH SEATING: In an establishment which is rated according to the number of seats, 20 inches of benching will be considered as one seat. Each bench will be counted in increments of 20 inches. Fractional seats will not be charged.

BOOTH SEATING: In an establishment which is rated according to the number of seats, 24 inches of booth seating will be considered as one seat. The booth seat will be counted in increments of 24 inches. Fractional seats will not be charged.

BOARD: The Board of Directors of the Northstar Community Services District.

BUILDING: Any structure used for human habitation, employment or place of business, recreation or other purpose, containing sanitary facilities.

BUILDING LATERAL: The sanitary sewer waste pipeline extending from the outside of the building foundation to the service lateral connection point (usually located at the property line). The cleanout at the service lateral connection point (usually the property line cleanout) is part of the building lateral.

CLEANOUT: A sealed aperture permitting access to a sanitary sewer pipeline for cleaning purposes.

COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENT: Any building use other than a residential unit as defined in the District Code, or a building used for manufacturing.

CONFERENCE FACILITIES: Facilities which are only used for conducting conferences intermittently throughout the year by groups of people which may vary significantly in number. The factor rating for these facilities is based upon the number of plumbing fixture units in the area used exclusively by the fore-mentioned groups and are generally rated at the public rate.

CONNECTION CHARGE: An amount of money charged for connection to the District sanitary sewer system pursuant to the District Code. This includes connection fees charged for any increase in factor rating as listed in Appendix A-3, page 71. Fixture Unit Equivalents may be amended from time to time, as a result of remodeling, additional building on property, change in usage of the property, or other change in appearance or operations.

CONTRACTOR: The person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or organization, either singular or plural, which is constructing any work authorized to be performed by improvement plans and specifications and approved by the District. The aforementioned entities may act either directly, or through properly authorized agents acting within the scope of the particular duties delegated to them.

COUNTY: The Counties of Nevada or Placer in the State of California, represented by the Director of Public Works acting either directly or through properly authorized agents, such agents acting within the scope of the particular duties delegated to them.

CUSTOMER: Any person described herein who receives wastewater service from or discharges wastewater into the District sanitary sewer system.

DEVELOPER: The person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or organization, either singular or plural, which is having constructed any work which is authorized to be performed by improvement plans and specifications and approved by the District. The aforementioned entities may act, either directly or through properly authorized agents, such agents acting within the scope of the particular duties delegated to them.

DISTRICT: The Northstar Community Services District.

DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES: There are specific administrative requirements

for developments and projects which involve the installation of sewer facilities. The District has produced a "Development Guidelines" packet to assist you. A "Development Guidelines" packet may be picked up at the District office.

DISTRICT ENGINEER: Engineer retained by the District, acting either directly or through properly authorized agents, such agents acting within the scope of the particular duties delegated to them.

DISTRICT SANITARY SEWER FACILITIES: The system of pipelines, manholes, cleanouts, pump stations, interceptors, and/or related appurtenances, under the jurisdiction of the District, that carry liquid and waterborne waste from residential, commercial, or industrial facilities to the Tahoe-Truckee Sanitation Agency (T-TSA) for final treatment and disposal.

DWELLING UNIT: A living unit with kitchen facilities, including those in multiple dwellings, apartments, motels, hotels, mobile homes, trailers, condominiums or townhouses.

DWELLING UNIT EQUIVALENT: (DUE) A single family residential unit. Based on the occupancy of 2.3 persons per single family residence, producing 100 gallons of wastewater per person per day. One DUE is equal to 230 gallons of wastewater per day.

EFFLUENT: Treated waste waters flowing from a processing plant, or related facility.

ENGINEER: The person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or organization, either singular or plural, specifically appointed to prepare improvement plans and specifications, acting either directly or through properly authorized agents, such agents acting within the scope of the particular duties delegated to them.

FACTOR RATING: The number of plumbing fixtures in a commercial establishment related to plumbing fixture unit equivalents in Appendix A-3, page 71, and correlated to the District Fee Structure, Appendix A-2, page 69.

FIXTURE UNITS: Plumbing fixture unit equivalent load values for drainage piping and plumbing, as specified in the District Code, the applicable Uniform Plumbing Code or the California State plumbing laws and administrative rules.

FORCE MAIN: A pressure pipe joining the pump discharge at a water or wastewater pumping station with a point of gravity flow.

GARBAGE: All animal and vegetable wastes from the preparation, cooking and dispensing of food, or the commercial and industrial processing thereof.

GENERAL MANAGER: The General Manager of the Northstar Community Services District

GREASE INTERCEPTOR/TRAP: A device, or structure and storage reservoir, acceptable to the District, which provides for the separation and storage of waste water with a specific gravity of less than 1.0 and prevents said light waste water from entering the sanitary sewer system.

GUEST HOUSE: A space to be used by members of the family occupying the main dwelling and their non-paying guest, without a kitchen or cooking facilities and containing less than 500 square feet of floor area. All utilities serving the guest house, such as water, sewer, electricity and gas shall be common to, dependent on and associated with the main dwelling. Allowable plumbing shall be limited to that required for a single bathroom. There shall be a limit of one guest house per parcel. The guest house must be further covered with a deed restriction or appropriate covenant approved by the District prohibiting the separate sale of the unit and/or independent rental of the unit.

INDUSTRIAL WASTE: Any liquid, gaseous, radioactive or solid waste substance or a combination thereof, resulting from any process of industry or manufacturing, or from the development or recovery of any natural resources.

INSPECTION: The act of reviewing any/or all sewer construction work for the purpose of determining compliance with the District Code.

INSPECTOR: A District representative, acting within the scope of their designated authority, who shall inspect commercial establishments in order to count the fixture units to determine the factor rating to be charged to the property. Also review any or all construction work for the purposes of determining compliance with the District Code.

KITCHEN FACILITIES: Any kitchen sink(s), kitchen sink with garbage disposal, kitchenette, or cooking facilities.

LABORATORY: Any testing agency or testing firm which has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Northstar Community Services District.

LICENSED CONTRACTOR: A contractor having a valid license issued pursuant to Chapter 9, Division 3, of the Business and Professions Code, State of California, which license includes the activities applied for and permitted.

LIVING UNIT: A structure or portion of a structure used for human habitation that contains sanitary facilities; shall be equivalent to a Dwelling.

LOT: Any piece or parcel of land bounded, defined, or shown upon a map or deed, recorded or filed in the office of the County Recorder.

MOTEL UNIT/HOTEL UNIT: (Also includes Bed & Breakfast establishments) Shall mean each guest room in a motel or hotel which is made available for use, rental or hire for the purpose of furnishing transient living accommodations on a day-to-day basis.

MULTIPLE USES: When restrooms are shared by both restaurant patrons and other business patrons (as they are in some major ski areas, for example), and where restrooms are not located in the restaurant and are not provided solely for the use of restaurant patrons, the formula detailed on Appendix A-4, page 73, will be applied as a credit against the total of plumbing fixture units which are provided for the use of both restaurant and other business patrons.

NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE: A written notice issued by the District to the owner or their agent informing of defective materials, workmanship or procedures which do not conform to District requirements and which must be removed, replaced or remedied.

ORDINANCE: A statute or regulation of the Northstar Community Services District Board of Directors.

OUTFALL SEWER: A major sewer pipeline which collects wastewater from various sewer main pipelines and conveys it to an interceptor pipeline or pump station.

OWNER: The person, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity which is shown as the owner of a particular lot on the property tax rolls that are maintained by the Counties of Nevada or Placer.

pH: The negative reciprocal of the logarithm of the weight of hydrogen in grams per liter of solution.

PERMIT: Formal authorization required pursuant to this District Code for connection to the sanitary sewer system of the Northstar Community Services District.

PERMITTEE: The person to whom a permit has been issued pursuant to the provisions of the District Code.

PERSON: The State of California, any individual, public or private corporation, political subdivision, governmental agency, municipality, industry, co-partnership, association, firm, trust, estate or any other legal entity whatsoever.

PLUMBING FIXTURE: Any sink, toilet, shower, tub, floor drain, urinal, drinking fountain, etc., or appliance that collects and/or produces waste flow and introduces it into the sanitary sewer system.

PREMISES: Any lot, or any piece or parcel of land comprising of two or more lots of record in one ownership, or any building or other structure or any part of any building or structure used or useful for human habitation or gathering or for carrying on a business or occupation or any commercial or industrial activity.

PRIVATE SANITARY SEWER FACILITIES: The system of pipelines, manholes, cleanouts, pump stations, interceptors, and/or related appurtenances, *not operated or maintained by the District*, that carry liquid and waterborne waste from residential, commercial, or industrial facilities to the District's sanitary sewer system.

PRIVATE FIXTURES: Are those which are intended for the use of an individual, or which are limited to the use of the employees of a business or tenants of a commercial building; provided that the number of employees in that business or tenants in that commercial building at any one time does not exceed the ratio of 5 employees or tenants per toilet per restroom.

PUBLIC ENTITY: A city or county, municipal water district, public utility district, sanitary

district, sanitation district, county water district, or California water district, organized under the laws of the State of California, or any other public corporation or agency of the State having power to acquire, construct and operate facilities for the collection, treatment and disposal of wastewater, industrial waste and storm water of such entity and its inhabitants.

PUBLIC FIXTURES: Are those which are intended for the use of the employees of a business or tenants of a commercial building when the ratio of employees or tenants per toilet per restroom exceed 5 to 1; or those fixtures in a business which are for unrestricted use by clients or customers of the business, or members of the public; or those which are located in places to which the public is invited, or places which are frequented by the public without special permission, or other installations where fixtures are installed so that their use is similarly unrestrictive.

PUBLIC SEWER: A sanitary sewer pipeline which is controlled by or under the jurisdiction of a public entity.

RESIDENTIAL UNIT: A living unit with a kitchen sink, kitchenette, or any cooking facilities such as: (a) single family dwelling, (b) multiple dwelling, (c) apartment, (d) timeshare unit, (e) mobile home, (f) trailer, (g) condominium, or (h) townhouse. Includes all living units in which the owner is renting or leasing the premises, or any portion of the premises.

SANITARY SEWER: A sewer pipeline that carries water-borne wastes from residences, commercial buildings, and industrial plants.

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM: The system of interceptor pipelines, outfall sewer pipelines, main pipelines, laterals, and pumping stations of the District that carry liquid and waterborne waste from residences, commercial buildings, and industrial plants.

SEASONAL SEATING: When an establishment which is rated and charged according to the number of seats has seating which is located outside, those seats which are located outside shall be charged 50 percent of the normal service charges charged for seats and 50 percent of the regular connection charge which is charged for seats.

SECTION: A subdivision of the District Code unless a specific citation is given to some other enabling legislation. Also, a term used to describe a specified segment of pipeline.

SEPTIC TANK: A watertight receptacle which receives the discharge from a building lateral and is designed and constructed to retain solids, digest organic matter through a period of detention, and is intended to allow the liquids to discharge into the soil outside of the septic tank through a drain field system or one or more seepage pits.

SERVICE LATERAL: The sanitary sewer waste piping which extends from the District main pipeline to the property line cleanout. The property line cleanout is part of the building lateral.

SEWER MAIN PIPELINE: A pipeline that receives wastewater from other sewer main pipelines, private sanitary sewer facilities, and building laterals.

SEWER SERVICE: Granting the privilege of sanitary sewer facility use to agencies, customers or persons in accordance with specific conditions and requirements.

SKI CLUB: An establishment which makes rooms available for use by members of a club or group on a temporary basis for periods of two weeks at a time shall be rated according to the number of fixture units on the premises and as private fixtures.

SNACK BAR: An establishment which uses only disposable products for food service and does not provide seating for the use of its customers.

SPECIAL DISTRICT: The Northstar Community Services District

STANDARDS: The Standards for Sewer Improvements for the Northstar Community Services District.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: Whenever reference is made to the "Standard Specifications" it shall refer to the latest edition of the State of California, Department of Public Works, Division of Highways STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS. Where the terms "State" or "Engineer" are used in the "Standard Specifications" or any documents or instruments where this document or the developers specifications govern, they shall be construed to mean the District or the General Manager as defined in this article.

STATEMENT OF FACTS: Any information or documentation provided to the District by the owner or their agent.

STREET: Any public highway, road, street, avenue, alley, way, public place, public easement or right-of-way.

STREET PROPERTY LINE: A building line, where one has been established by ordinance; otherwise, the street property line itself.

STUB OUT: The connection point to the sanitary sewer. This point of connection is usually located near the property line at the terminus of the service lateral. A term also used for a short, capped extension of the District's sanitary sewer system for future pipeline extension.

SWIMMING POOL: All swimming or wading pools containing 2,000 gallons of water or more, and all non-residential whirlpool baths and hot tubs. All swimming pools, non-residential whirlpool baths and hot tubs, may discharge backwash and drain wastewater into the public sewer system.

If swimming pool draining and backwash is discharged to the sanitary sewer system, written approval must be obtained from the General Manager. No person shall discharge any substance into the sewer system without first notifying the District. The General Manger obtains the right to prohibit the draining of swimming pools when, in his/her opinion, such activity would deleteriously affect the operation of the sewer system-generally July 15 through September 15 and April 15 through May 15, but not inclusively or exclusively. Draining operations shall take place only between the hours of 9 P.M. and 7 A.M. or the any other time with prior approval of

the General Manger.

TAPPING: The forming of a Tee or Wye branch connection to an existing sewer main pipeline by installing a Tee or Wye Saddle.

TEE: A fitting for a branch on which the spur joins the barrel of the pipe at an angle of approximately 90 degrees.

TOXIC WASTE: Any waste that is poisonous or hazardous to human, animal and/or plant life.

TRAP: A fitting or device which provides a liquid seal to prevent the emission of sewer gas or air without materially affecting the flow of wastewater or waste water through it.

T-TSA: Tahoe-Truckee Sanitation Agency, a regional wastewater treatment facility.

USER FEES: A regular charge to a owner or designated representative for the use of the public sanitary sewer system.

WASTEWATER: The spent water of a community, which may be a combination of liquid and water carried wastes from residences, commercial buildings, industrial plants, etc.

WASTEWATER PUMPING PLANT: Any works or device used to raise wastewater from a lower to a higher level or to overcome friction in a pipeline.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY: Any arrangement of devices and structures used for treating wastewater.

WYE OR "Y": A fitting for a branch on which the spur joins the barrel of the pipe at an angle of approximately 45 degrees.

Abbreviations

ASTM	American Society for Testing Materials
AWS	American Welding Society
AWWA	American Water Works Association, Inc.
NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturers Association
NEC	National Electrical Code
UBC	Uniform Building Code
UPC	Uniform Plumbing Code