



SEWER TARIFF POLICY

2025/2026

PREAMBLE

Whereas section 74 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No 32 of 2000) requires a municipal council to adopt a tariff policy on the levying of fees for municipal services;

And whereas the tariff policy should at least include the principles contained in section 74(2) of the Act, thus giving effect to the By-Law required in terms of section 75 of the Act;

And whereas the tariff policy may differentiate between different categories of users, debtors, service providers, service standards and geographical areas as long as such differentiations do not amount up to unfair discrimination;

Now therefore the Municipal Council of the Polokwane Municipality adopts the following Tariff Policy:

1 SEWERAGE.

1.1 APPLICATION FEES.

The Engineer shall determine application fees in terms of the provisions of section 2(1) of the By Laws.

The assessment of the charges shall be based upon the total square area of the building, addition or alteration to an existing building. The charges are incorporated in the building plan fees and shall be payable in advance when the building plans are submitted. In case of any dispute arising in respect of the assessment of the application fees, the matter shall be subject to the right of appeal as determined in Section 3 of the By Laws.

2 CHARGES.

The owner of any erf or piece of land, with or without improvements, which is, or in the opinion of the Council can be, connected to the sewer, shall monthly pay to the Council, in terms of the provisions of Section 5 of the By-Laws the following charges:

The categories of sewage users as set out below shall be charged monthly at the applicable tariff as approved by the Council in each annual budget: -

<u>CATEGORY OF CONSUMER</u>	<u>LEVEL OF CHARGE</u>
1. Availability charges	
(i) Improved residential	No Charge

erven with a surface area not exceeding 500m ²	
2. All other erven	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) For the first 500m² or part thereof, of surface area of the erf: (ii) Thereafter, per 500m² or part thereof, up to 2 000m² of the surface area of the erf: (iii) Thereafter, per 1 000m² or part thereof, of the surface area of the erf: (iv) Additional charge per unimproved erf: (v) Maximum charge (887 000m²):
3. Additional charges	
1. Dwelling-houses, churches, church halls as well as buildings used exclusively by and registered in the name of the Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Voortrekkers or similar organisation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) For the first dwelling-house, church, church hall or other building mentioned in 2(1) above erected on any erf or piece of land, per building (ii) For the second or subsequent dwelling-house, church, church hall or other building mentioned in 2(1) above, per building
1. Flats – per flat	Flat Rate
2. non-residential properties The owner of any non-residential erf or piece of land, with or without improvements, which is, or in the opinion of Council can be, connected to the sewer, shall monthly pay to the Council, in terms of the provisions of Section 5 of the By-Laws the following charges.	
2.1 Basic charge The owner of any non-residential erf or piece	Applicable on all non-residential properties

of land, with or without improvements, which is, or in the opinion of Council can be, connected to the sewer, shall monthly pay to the Council, in terms of the provisions of Section 5 of the By-Laws the following charges:	
4.2 Additional charges	(i) For the first 500 m ² or part thereof, of the surface area of the erf. (ii) Thereafter, per 500 m ² or part thereof, up to 8 000 m ² of the surface area of the erf
	(i) Thereafter, per 1 000 m ² or part thereof, of the surface area of the erf.

Charges for Industrial Effluent and for Chemical and Bacteriological Analysis will be calculated according to a formula which will be indicated in the Tariff of Charges on an annual basis.

3 PROCEDURES AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- 3.1. The Municipal Manager shall ensure that procedures to manage all aspects of this Policy are prepared in the form of a manual, reviewed regularly and that these are formally adopted by him for implementation. These procedures will include aspects in this Policy and subscribe to sound principles of internal control.
- 3.2. The Directors and Managers shall ensure compliance with the procedures as approved from time to time by the Municipal Manager to give effect to the provisions of this Policy.

4 SHORT TITLE

This Policy shall be called the **Tariff Policy of the Polokwane Municipality**.

5 IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW OF POLICY

This policy shall be implemented and reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that is in line with the municipality's strategic objectives and with legislation.