

1.2 TREATMENT CAPACITY MANAGEMENT

Sewage treatment capacity available to the Town of Brookfield is limited. To ensure that the Town does not exceed its available treatment capacity, effective as of ~~January 1, 2022~~April 25, 2024, no sewer connection or discharge permit shall be issued by the Authority with respect to any property unless that property falls within one of the following categories:

- a) properties which are or have been subject to the levy of a sewer benefit assessment as a result of the construction of municipal sewer facilities;
- b) properties which are subject to an agreement or resolution adopted by the Authority to reserve sewage treatment capacity upon the payment of a sewer capacity reservation fee;
- c) properties determined by the Authority to require an allocation of sewage treatment capacity to effectively abate or mitigate an existing or threatened pollution problem; (An owner claiming to have a failed septic system or a system in danger of imminent failure, shall provide written documentation from a professional engineer licensed in the State of Connecticut and verified by the Town Sanitarian confirming the condition of the system. Discharge shall be limited as necessary to an existing building, facilities and/or uses.);
- d) properties owned by the Town of Brookfield or owned by a not-for-profit organization performing an essential municipal function (e.g., fire, ambulance or rescue services); and

Notwithstanding the foregoing, ~~for vacant properties,~~ no such property shall be permitted a new connection permit based on design flows ~~in excess of 2,000 gallons per day or a discharge calculated at the rate of more than 400-2,000 gallons per day, per acre, with a cap of 20,000 gallons per property whichever is greater~~¹. ~~For improved properties presently or previously connected to the municipal sewer, no such property shall be permitted a new connection permit based on design flows in excess of 2,000 gallons per day or 150% of existing or pre-existing design flows, whichever is greater.~~² For purposes of the foregoing, “design flows” shall be determined in accordance with the requirements of Section IV, Design Flows, of the Technical Standards for Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems as set forth in the Connecticut Public Health Code, as amended; and “existing or pre-existing design flows” shall be determined as of January

¹ Example 1: a vacant 10 acre parcel will be allowed a discharge up to 420,000 gallons per day based on design flows: ~~400-2,000~~ gallons per day times 10 acres equals 420,000 gallons per day.

² ~~Example 2: a property connected or previously connected to the municipal sewer with discharge of 2,000 gallons per day based on design flow may be torn down and permitted an expansion that increases that discharge to a maximum of 3,000 gallons per day. A property with a discharge of 250 gallons per day, however, would be allowed a maximum discharge of 2,000 gallons per day since this is greater than the gallonage calculated at 150% of existing discharge.~~

1, 2022. The merger or division of parcels subsequent to January 1, 2022 shall not serve as a basis for any cumulative increase in allowed allocation of sewage discharge capacity.

Further notwithstanding the foregoing, applications for Sewer Connection and Discharge Permits shall be considered only when the Authority determines that the public sewer system and existing sewage treatment capacity is capable of conveying and adequately treating the sewage to be discharged.