

CHAPTER 96

BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS

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96.01 PERMIT. No unauthorized person shall uncover, make any connection with or opening into, use, alter or disturb any public sewer or appurtenance thereof without first obtaining a written permit from the City. The application for the permit shall set forth the location and description of the property to be connected with the sewer system and the purpose for which the sewer is to be used, and shall be supplemented by any plans, specifications, or other information considered pertinent. The permit shall require the owner to complete construction and connection of the building sewer to the public sewer within sixty (60) days after the issuance of the permit, except that when a property owner makes sufficient showing that due to conditions beyond the owner's control or peculiar hardship, such time period is inequitable or unfair, an extension of time within which to comply with the provisions herein may be granted. Any sewer connection permit may be revoked at any time for a violation of these chapters. A return of the permit, showing the work done and all information required thereon, shall be made within thirty (30) days after completion.

96.02 PERMIT FEE AND CONNECTION CHARGE. There are two (2) classes of building sewer permits:

1. For residential and commercial service; and
2. For service to establishments producing industrial waste.

A permit and inspection fee, as established by resolution of the Council, and a connection charge, as established in Chapter 100 if applicable, shall be paid to the City at the time the application is filed.

96.03 PLUMBER REQUIRED. All installations of building sewers and connections to the public sewer shall be made by a licensed plumber and a plumber's license may be suspended or revoked for violation of any of the provisions of these Sanitary Sewer chapters.

96.04 CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS. The installation of the building sewer and its connection to the public sewer shall conform to the plumbing requirements of the State Building Code and with the most recent revisions of the Iowa Statewide Urban Design and Specifications (SUDAS) Manuals.

96.05 INSPECTION REQUIRED. No building sewer shall be covered, concealed or put into use until it has been tested, inspected and accepted as prescribed in the State Building Code and with the most recent revisions of the Iowa Statewide Urban Design and Specifications (SUDAS) Manuals.

96.06 PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY. All costs and expenses incident to the installation, connection and maintenance of the building sewer shall be borne by the owner. The owner shall indemnify the City from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer.

96.07 ABATEMENT OF VIOLATIONS. Building sewers, whether located upon the private property of any owner or in the public right-of-way, which are constructed or maintained in violation of any of the requirements of this chapter shall be deemed a nuisance and the same shall be abated by the City in the manner provided for the abatement of nuisances.