

# SEWER BILLING CHOICES

Residential Water/Sewer Customers may choose how their SEWER is billed.

This billing choice form is sent out annually. Once you have made a choice as to how you would like your sewer billed, it will remain in effect for the entire year.

- Option #1 (example below) is the winter average method based on the average of the water consumption **billed** in December, January and February.
- Option #2 (example below) is the actual volume method where sewer is based on the monthly water consumption.

If you would like to be on a sewer average and were not a resident during the billing periods of December, January and February, you may elect to have an average monthly sewer bill based on the citywide average of 4,300 gallons. If you wish to continue with your current method of sewer billing, you do not need to return this form. Whichever method you choose will take effect beginning with your April 2019 billing. All forms need to be returned to the water department no later than March 1, 2019.

City of Grain Valley  
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## SEWER BILLING OPTION

The City of Grain Valley adopted an ordinance allowing the sewer customers to choose how they would like to be billed for sewer usage. The two options are:

1. **WINTER AVERAGE:** Billing method based on winter averages of the bills received in the three months of December, January, and February. With this, every month would be billed at the same usage. The rate would be \$15.69 for the first thousand and \$6.78 per thousand for each additional 1000 gallons of water used based on the months averaged. An example of the calculation for winter average is shown below:

Usage billed in December	4,400 gallons	Winter average 4,433 gallons/ month
Usage billed in January	4,900 gallons	(13,300/3=4,433)
Usage billed in February	4,000 gallons	
Total	13,300 gallons	

In this example, you would be billed \$38.97 for 4,433 gallons, \$15.69 for the first thousand and \$6.78 per thousand for each additional 1000 gallons.

CUSTOMERS WHO DO NOT HAVE AN ESTABLISHED AVERAGE FOR THESE MONTHS WILL BE BILLED AT THE CITY-WIDE AVERAGE OF 4300 GALLONS (\$38.06) IF THEY CHOOSE WINTER AVERAGE.

**FOR CUSTOMERS USING 1,000 GALLONS OR LESS IN USAGE, A MINIMUM CHARGE WILL APPLY.**

2. **VOLUME METHOD:** Billing based on the actual volume used each month. With this, every month the sewer charge would be billed based on the number of gallons of water used that month. The rate for volume based billing would be \$15.69 for the first 1000 and \$6.78 per 1000 for each additional 1000 gallons of water used.

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The Board of Aldermen will review the above rates as it is deemed appropriate.

Please determine which option is best for you. To make your choice, return this form to the Utility Billing Department by March 1, 2019. **YOU MAY ONLY MAKE ONE CHOICE PER YEAR AND IT WILL START WITH THE APRIL BILLINGS.**

I want the sewer portion of my bill this year to be based on:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Winter Average

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Volume Method

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Co-Occupant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Customer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please note the method will be in effect for one year and **if no change in method is required, it is not necessary to send this form back.**