

**RULES AND REGULATIONS  
SEWER (S)  
RULE S-2  
SERVICE CONNECTIONS - SEWER**

**S-2.01      GENERAL**

Rule provides specific connection requirements for sewer service.

**S-2.02      REFERENCE**

- A. Los Alamos County Code of Ordinances, Section 40, Article IV Sewer Use.
- B. Uniform Plumbing Code, latest edition

**S-2.03      RESIDENTIAL SEWER SERVICE LINE**

For a service pipeline with no property line cleanout, the "Service Line" for sewer service is from the sewer line from the main to the house. For a service pipeline with a property line cleanout approved by the Utility, the "Service Line" for sewer service is the service line from the property line cleanout to the house, and the "Delivery Line" for sewer service is the sewer line from the main to the property line cleanout. The property line cleanout is installed by the customer and approved by the Utility. The property line cleanout and delivery line are owned by the Utility. The service line is installed and owned by the customer.

**S-2.04      REQUIREMENTS OF SERVICE CONNECTION**

- A. All sewer service connections shall be installed in accordance with Los Alamos Code of Ordinances, Section 40, Article IV Sewer Use, and the Uniform Plumbing Code, latest edition.
- B. The customer shall submit an application for service together with the required payment prior to any connection in accordance with GR- 6, Application for Service.
- C. The customer shall pay the associated connection fees for the installation.
- D. The customer shall call for location of underground Utility before excavation in accordance with GR-24, Utility Line Locates.
- E. Sewer service and trenching must be inspected and approved in its entirety by Utility Engineering prior to backfilling the trench. Customer shall be required to re-excavate the service if backfilled prior to Utility inspection and approval. Utility may disconnect water until the re-excavation takes place.
- F. The connection into the sewer main shall be installed by the Utility.
- G. The customer may be required to install a flow meter, lift station or other apparatus if deemed necessary by the Utility after the service request is assessed.
- H. New service installations require a cleanout to the main at the property line. Additionally if any portion of the residence drain-waste-vent system is below the level of the upstream manhole on the sewer main a backwater valve or similar device is required.

Upon connection to the Utility, on-site wastewater treatment/disposal systems shall be rendered incapable of future use in compliance with applicable local, state and federal regulations and LAC 40-243, Private sewage disposal. Exception- Gray water holding and irrigation systems are

expressly allowed.

#### **S-2.05      NUMBER OF SERVICES**

- A. Customers occupying separate premises or quarters shall be supplied with individual service connections in accordance with this rule, except as provided in Rule GR-10, Service Connection and Connection to Utility.
- B. In general, one sewer service line is allowed for each dwelling. Multiple dwelling units (up to four units) require separate service lines.
- C. A main extension with manholes of appropriate size is required for properties with more than four (4) dwelling units.
- D. Customer may apply for separate services to accommodate future lot splits. Additional costs for separate services shall be recovered by the Utility from the Customer.

#### **S-2.05      COMMERCIAL SEWER SERVICES**

- A. Commercial sewer service lines six inches in diameter or greater shall terminate in a main line manhole at Customer sole expense.
- B. Traps and interceptors as required by the Utility shall be installed per Uniform Plumbing Code, latest edition at customer sole expense.