

Rule – 28 DEPOSITS

A deposit shall be required from any person or entity, who establishes a water service account and does not have 12 months of timely paid service. Timely Paid Service is defined as any new customer establishing a water service account who has not within the preceding 12 consecutive months at the time said application is made had any of the following occur with the City of Newark, Ohio's Division of Water and Wastewater: 1) water service termination resulting from nonpayment at a location to which the customer was legally or contractually obligated to pay said water service account charges; 2) had an insufficient check charge applied to the customer's water service account; 3) had an unpaid final bill; or 4) has included the City as a Creditor in a Bankruptcy filing. The deposit assumes responsibility for timely payment of future charges for service provided the benefited unit. A deposit shall be charged whenever an account is terminated for nonpayment and then a request for continued service is made (any money left from the previous bills & deposit shall be applied toward the new deposit). Consumer assumption does not relieve the property owner of contractual liability for charges incurred. The deposit shall be paid with the Activation fee (Addendum 7) when the consumer signs for service. The deposit shall be calculated to cover an average double bill plus 35%. The deposit shall be listed in the fee section and updated by direction of the Service Director.

The deposit shall be applied toward any unpaid balances during any termination for nonpayment. A new deposit shall be required with payment of the bill in full (the previous deposit shall be applied to cover any and all unpaid bills).

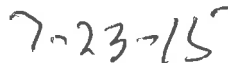
The deposit shall be applied to the customer's account after 11th months of continuous timely payments.

The deposit or any balance shall be returned to the customer once the service is terminated and the final bills paid.

Approved:



David Rhodes, Director of Public Service



Date