



**CITY OF OWENS CROSS ROADS
ORDINANCE NO. 24-006
REPLACES ORDINANCE NO. 21-025 & 22-015**

SEWER REGULATIONS FOR LATE PENALTIES AND CUT OFF

WHEREAS, the City of Owens Cross Sewer Department provides sewer services within the city limits of Owens Cross Roads, and charges a mandatory \$100 deposit for owned residence, \$150 deposit for rented residence, and a separate scale for commercial service, plus generates sewer bills on or about the last business day of each month and those bills are due and payable by the 20th of the month following the date of service; and,

WHEREAS, it is unlawful for any owner, lessee, or occupant of a premise to utilize the Owens Cross Roads sanitary sewer system without paying the mandatory deposit associated with their services, plus the monthly sewer service charge (based on current rate); and,

WHEREAS, if any owner, lessee, or occupant of a premises who utilizes the sanitary sewer system without paying the mandatory deposit for services, and/or does not pay the monthly billed sewer service charge (both residential and commercial) by the 20th of the month, will be assessed late penalties as follows:


- Not paid by the 20th: \$10.00
- 60 days past due: \$20.00
- 90 days past due: \$50.00
- 120 days past due: yard dug up for sewer cut off (see further explanation below)

WHEREAS, if any owner, lessee, or occupant fails to respond to formal written requests to bring the account current or fails to maintain the agreed upon payment arrangement, then Owens Cross Roads Sewer Department will hire a private contractor to excavate and disconnect the offender's sewer service from the main Owens Cross Roads sewer line. All incurred costs (to include but not limited to disconnect/reconnect fees, landscaping, etc.) will be added to the offender's sewer account and therefore become their financial responsibility. The Madison County Health Department will be notified at the time the sewer service is disconnected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Owens Cross Roads, Alabama, that the code of Ordinances be amended and include Ordinance No. 24-006. The provisions of the Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor and the City Council and upon publication of this Ordinance as required by law.

ADOPTED THIS 23rd **DAY OF JULY, 2024.**

Approved By:


Scott Baker, Mayor Pro Tempore

Attest By:


Christie D. Eason, City Clerk/Treasurer

City of Owens Cross Roads, Alabama,
certificate of publication: This is to certify
that Ordinance No. 24-006 was published by
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