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**Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge)
(Amendment) Regulation 2026**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 12 of the Sewage Services Ordinance (Cap. 463) and section 29 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 15 January 2026.

2. Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) Regulation amended

The Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) Regulation (Cap. 463 sub. leg. B) is amended as set out in sections 3, 4 and 5.

3. Section 3 amended (trade effluent surcharge rates)

(1) Section 3(1)(ca)—

Repeal

“Schedule 5; or”

Substitute

“Schedule 5;”.

(2) Section 3(1)(d)(ii)—

Repeal

“2024,”

Substitute

“2024 and ends before 15 January 2026,”.

(3) Section 3(1)(d)—

Repeal

“Schedule 1,”

Substitute

“Schedule 1;”.

- (4) After section 3(1)(d)—

Add

- “(e) if the billing period for the surcharge—
- (i) begins before 15 January 2026 and ends on or after that date; or
 - (ii) begins on a date between 15 January 2026 and 14 January 2027 (both dates inclusive),
at the rate calculated in accordance with the formula specified in Part IV of Schedule 5; or
- (f) if the billing period for the surcharge begins on or after 15 January 2027—at the rate specified in column 4 of Schedule 1.”.

4. Schedule 1 amended (trade effluent surcharge rates)

- (1) Schedule 1, column 3, heading—

Repeal

“Rate for billing period beginning on a date between 1 August 2008 and 31 July 2009 (both days inclusive) and ending on a date before 1 August 2009”

Substitute

“Rate applicable for the period between 1 August 2008 and 31 July 2009 (both dates inclusive)”.

- (2) Schedule 1, column 4, heading—

Repeal

“Rate for billing period beginning on or after 1 August 2009 and ending before 1 January 2020, or beginning on or after 1 January 2024”

Substitute

“Rate applicable for the period between 1 August 2009 and 31 December 2019 (both dates inclusive) and from 1 January 2024 onwards”.

5. Schedule 5 amended

Schedule 5, after Part III—

Add

“Part IV

**Rates of Surcharge for Billing Period Specified in
Section 3(1)(e)**

$$\frac{(N1 \times R) + (N2 \times R \times 50\%)}{N1 + N2}$$

(a) In this formula—

N1: number of days of the relevant billing period that do not fall within the concession period;

N2: number of days of the relevant billing period that fall within the concession period;

R: the rate specified in column 4 of Schedule 1 for the trade, business or manufacture concerned or (if applicable) the rate determined under section 4 for the case concerned.

(b) In paragraph (a)—

concession period (寬免期) means the period from 15 January 2026 to 14 January 2027 (both dates inclusive);

relevant billing period (有關發單收費期間) means a billing period that—

- (i) begins before 15 January 2026 and ends on or after that date; or
- (ii) begins on a date between 15 January 2026 and 14 January 2027 (both dates inclusive).”.

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) Regulation (Cap. 463 sub. leg. B) to provide for a concession of trade effluent surcharge for a billing period with any part of it falling within the period from 15 January 2026 to 14 January 2027 (both dates inclusive).