

## **SCHEDULE OF RATES AND SERVICE FEES**

UNLESS SPECIFICALLY DEFINED IN THIS SCHEDULE, ALL FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES AS STATED HEREIN SHALL BE NON-REFUNDABLE.

1. ***Classification of Applications.*** All applications for the District's water and/or sewer services shall be classified as either standard or non-standard.
2. ***Processing of Application.*** The District shall review each service application submitted to the District. An initial determination shall be made by the District, without charge, as to whether the service request is Standard or Non-Standard.
  - a. All Standard Service requests shall be reviewed and all applicable costs for providing service shall be quoted in writing to the Applicant within ten (10) working days of application.
  - b. All Non-Standard Service Requests shall be subject to fees appropriate for each project in accordance with the District's Non-Standard Service Regulations. Non-Standard Service Investigation Fees shall be as follows:

### **FOR WATER SERVICE**

	5/8" x 3/4" Meter	3/4" x 3/4" meter	1" meter	1-1/2" meter	2" meter
1 Meter	\$120	\$180	\$300	\$600	\$960
2 Meters	\$200	\$300	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,600
3 Meters	\$264	\$396	\$660	\$1,320	\$2,112
4 Meters	\$320	\$480	\$800	\$1,600	\$2,560
5 Meters	\$368	\$552	\$920	\$1,840	\$2,944
6 Meters	\$416	\$624	\$1,040	\$2,080	\$3,328
7 Meters	\$464	\$696	\$1,160	\$2,320	\$3,712
8 Meters	\$512	\$768	\$1,280	\$2,560	\$4,096

9 Meters	\$560	\$840	\$1,400	\$2,800	\$4,480
10 or more	\$80/additional meter				

\* Standard Minimum flow per State Rules (TCEQ) is 1.5 gpm

**AND**  
**FOR SEWER SERVICE**

	4" Tap	6" Tap
1 Tap	\$150	\$225
2 Taps	\$250	\$375
3 Taps	\$330	\$495
4 Taps	\$400	\$600
5 Taps	\$460	\$690
6 Taps	\$520	\$780
7 Taps	\$580	\$870
8 Taps	\$640	\$960
9 Taps	\$700	\$1,050
10 or more	\$50/additional Tap	

3. ***Deposit.*** At the time the application for service is approved, an Applicant for standard service shall pay an account Deposit which will be held by the District, without interest, until settlement of the customer's final bill. The Deposit will be used to offset final billing charges of the account. In the event that a surplus of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5.00) or more exists after the final billing is settled, the balance will be paid to the customer within 45 days, when the District is provided with a suitable address. All requests for refunds shall be made in writing and must be filed within 90 days of termination. In the event that an outstanding balance exists after the Deposit is applied, The District shall attempt to collect the outstanding balance by all lawful means available. From any deposit surplus refunded to a customer, \$5.00 will be withheld to cover administrative costs of the District.
  - a. The Deposit for residential water service is \$150.00 (approved 5/3/10) for each service unit.
  - b. The Deposit for commercial property is \$300.00 for each service unit.
  - c. The Deposit for commercial rental property is \$300.00 for each service unit.
  - d. The Deposit or other charges for oversized or other Accounts shall be based on multiples of meter size equivalents or actual connections served.
  
4. ***Easement Acquisition.*** When the District determines that dedicated easements and/or facilities sites are necessary to provide service to the Applicant, the Applicant shall be required to secure the necessary easements and/or sites on behalf of the District or pay all costs incurred by the District in obtaining such easements or sites in addition to tap fees otherwise required pursuant to the provisions of this Schedule of Rates and Fees and Regulations of the District. The costs may include all legal fees and expenses necessary to attempt to secure such easements and/or facilities sites in behalf of the District.

5. ***Standard Connection Fee (Tap Fee).*** The District shall charge an installation fee for service as follows:

- a. **Standard Service (Tap Fee)** shall be charged on a per tap basis as follows:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Water Connection (Tap) Fee</u>
5/8" x 3/4" (standard tap)	\$2,000.00
3/4" x 3/4"	\$2,000.00
1"	\$2,000.00
1 1/2"	\$2,500.00
2"	\$3,500.00

<u>Line Size</u>	<u>Sewer Connection (Tap) Fee</u>
4" (standard tap)	\$2,000.00
6"	\$2,200.00

- b. Standard and Non-Standard Service Installations shall include all costs of any pipeline relocations or other system improvements.
- c. Any customer acquiring a meter that is 2" or larger shall be required to purchase a compound meter.
6. ***Non-Standard Service Charges and Fees*** shall be as described in the District's Non-Standard Service Rules and Regulations.

7. ***Monthly Charges.***

- a. Water Service – monthly charges are as follows:

- (1) The minimum monthly charge for metered water service that includes the first 2,000 gallons of water usage is as follows:

<u>Revised March 2023</u>	<u>RESIDENTIAL</u>	<u>COMMERCIAL</u>
5/8" x 3/4" monthly minimum	\$36.50	\$50.00
3/4" x 3/4" monthly minimum	\$46.13	\$62.50
1" monthly minimum	\$65.38	\$87.50

1 1/2"	\$113.50	\$150.00
monthly minimum		
2"	\$171.50	\$225.00
Monthly minimum		

**Updated March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

(2) Residential charges –The charge for water shall be as follows: 0-8,000 is \$3.74 per thousand gallons, 8,0001-10,000 is \$ 4.13 per thousand gallons, 10,001-30,000 is \$4.68 per thousand gallons. For water usage over 30,000 gallons per month, residential customers shall be charged \$5.78 per thousand gallons.

(3) Commercial charges -- The charge for water shall be as follows: 0-8,000 is \$3.74 per thousand gallons, 8,0001-10,000 is \$ 4.13 per thousand gallons, 10,001-30,000 is \$4.68 per thousand gallons. For water usage over 30,000 gallons per month, commercial customers shall be charged \$5.78 per thousand gallons.

**Updated: March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, increase sewer base 20.50 on residential sewer rates only. Base is based on a three (3) month fixed yearly average.**

- b. Sewer Service - The monthly charge for standard sewer service on a per tap basis is as follows:

	<u>RESIDENTIAL</u>	<u>COMMERCIAL</u>
4"	\$20.50 per month plus \$1.00	\$31.00 per month plus \$2.00
(standard tap)	per thousand gallons of water	per thousand gallons
6" meter	\$23.75 per month plus \$1.00	\$35.75 per month plus \$2.00
	per thousand gallons of water	per thousand gallons of water

The District employs winter averaging for wastewater usage for residential customers.

- c. The District shall, as required by Section 5.235, Water Code, collect from each of its retail customers a regulatory assessment equal to one-half of one percent of the charge for retail water or wastewater service. This charge shall be collected in addition to other charges for utility service. This fee is collected on all charges pertaining to Section G.6. Monthly Charges of this Service Policy.
8. **Late Payment Fee.** Once per billing period, a penalty of 20 % shall be applied to delinquent bills. This late payment penalty shall not be applied to any balance to which the penalty was applied in a previous billing but shall be applied to any unpaid balance during the current billing period.
9. **Returned Check Fee.** In the event a check, draft, or any other similar instrument is given by a person, firm, District, or partnership to the District for payment of services provided for in this Service Policy, and the instrument is returned by the bank or other similar

institution as insufficient or non-negotiable for any reason, the account for which the instrument was issued shall be assessed a return check charge of \$30.00 plus any charges that are charged to the District by its bank as a result of the returned check or other instrument.

10. ***Reconnect Fee (Re-Service Fee).*** The District shall charge a fee of \$50.00 for reconnecting service after the District has previously disconnected the service for any reason provided for in the District Service Rules and Regulations. The Customer shall also be responsible for other charges provided for in the District's Regulations.
11. ***Fee for Unauthorized Actions.*** If the District's facilities or equipment have been damaged by tampering, by-passing, installing unauthorized taps, reconnecting service without authority, or other service diversion, a fee shall be charged equal to the actual costs for all labor, material, and equipment necessary for repair or replacement of the District's facilities and shall be paid before service is re-established. The fee shall also include the actual costs for all labor, material, equipment, and other actions necessary to correct service diversions, unauthorized taps, or reconnection of service without authorization. All components of this fee will be itemized, and a statement shall be provided to the Customer. If the District's facilities or equipment have been damaged due to unauthorized use of the District's equipment, easements, or meter shut-off valve, or due to other unauthorized acts by the Customer for which the District incurs losses or damages, the Customer shall be liable for all labor and material charges incurred because of said acts or negligence. Note: Payment of this fee will not preclude the District from requesting appropriate criminal prosecution. The Customer shall also be responsible for any payment of any fee or fine charged or assessed against the District by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality or any other agency because of any tampering, bypassing, unauthorized tap, reconnecting service without authority, service diversion or any other damage to or interference with the District's facilities or equipment.  
**November 2,2020- Tampering Fees- \$300.00 for standard meter/\$1,200.00 for 1"-2" meters. If the property is a rental the owner of the property will be held responsible for the amount due.**
12. ***Meter Test Fee.*** The District shall test a Customer's meter upon written request of the Customer. Under the terms of the District's Regulations, a charge of \$40.00 shall be imposed on the affected account. In the event the meter is submitted to a third party for testing, the customer will pay the actual costs of testing.
13. ***Customer Service Inspection Fee.*** A fee of \$40.00 will be assessed each Applicant before permanent continuous service is provided to new construction if an additional inspection is required in addition to the initial inspection included with the installation or tap fee.
14. ***Regulatory Assessment.*** A fee of 0.5% of the amount billed for water/sewer service will be assessed each customer as required under Texas law and TCEQ regulations.
15. ***Additional Assessments.*** In the event any federal, state or local government imposes on

the District a "per meter" fee or an assessment based on a percent of water/sewer use or charges, this fee or assessment will be billed and collected as a "pass through" charge to the customer.

16. ***Other Fees.*** The actual and reasonable costs for any services outside the normal scope of utility operations that the District may be compelled to provide at the request of a Customer shall be charged to the Customer.
17. ***Inactive Meter Fees.*** (Added 10/6/2014) All inactive Residential and Commercial water meter accounts will be charged a flat \$25.00 monthly fee with no water usage. If the account goes twelve (12) months without a payment a certified letter will be sent to the latest address on file, if no response to the certified letter or the account has not been brought to current standing the water meter will be pulled. To gain another water tap the current rates for a new tap will apply along with a deposit.