

# Public Notice

## Charleston Water System 2020 Water and Sewer Rates Effective January 1, 2020

Beginning January 1, 2020, Charleston Water System (CWS) retail water and sewer rates will increase by an average of 3% and 2.75% respectively.

The rate increases are averages because the exact percentage increase depends on how much water you use, where you live, and the meter size serving your home or business.

Residential customers who live inside the city of Charleston and use 1,496 gallons of water (2 Ccf) or less will see a monthly increase of \$1.15 on their combined monthly water and sewer bill.

For the typical residential customer in the city of Charleston who uses 5,236 gallons of water per month (7 Ccf), the rate increase amounts to an additional \$2.47 on the combined water and sewer bill.

Typical residential water customers who live outside the city of Charleston will see an increase of \$1.00 per month on their monthly water bill and \$3.55 on the combined water and sewer bill.

Revenue generated by the rate increases will fund capital improvements, replacement of aging infrastructure and operation and maintenance of the water and sewer systems.

For more information, including a list of planned projects in the Capital Improvements Program, visit [www.charlestonwater.com](http://www.charlestonwater.com).



WATER RATES		
Retail Water Service		
Minimum Monthly Charge <i>For up to 2 Ccf (1,496 gal) of water usage</i>		
Connection Size (inches)	Inside City Rate	Outside City Rate
3/4	\$13.10	\$20.75
1	16.00	24.00
1 1/2	28.90	38.50
2	38.80	49.80
3	81.25	98.25
4	130.00	152.75
6	253.00	291.00
8	374.50	429.50
10	496.50	567.00
12	569.50	649.00
Volume Charge (for each Ccf above the min.)		
Volume	Inside City Rate (per Ccf)	Outside City Rate (per Ccf)
Per Ccf	\$1.90	\$3.60
Fire Protection Service (Monthly Charge)		
Connection Size (inches)	Inside City Rate	Outside City Rate
4 or less	\$7.75	\$11.75
6	22.92	34.00
8	48.75	73.00
10	87.58	131.00
12	141.67	211.50
Wholesale per hydrant	N/A	705.00
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Classification	Rate/Ccf	
Municipality	\$2.42	
Subdivision	\$2.75	

WASTEWATER RATES		
Retail Wastewater Service		
Monthly Volume (Based on water use; see notes below)	Inside City Rate	Outside City Rate
First 2 Ccf (min. charge)	\$31.60	\$44.60
Over 2 Ccf (per Ccf)	7.99	10.80
Maximum residential wastewater charge	152.25	207.68
Non-metered flat rate	61.16	84.56
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volume billed for in cubic feet (CF) for all fractional usage under a hundred cubic feet (Ccf).</li> <li>Billable wastewater volume for Domestic class customers with a 3/4", 1", or 1 1/2" tap (not having a separate meter for irrigation purposes provided by CWS to the property on which the customer account is located) is based on 95% of metered water usage.</li> <li>All other customer classes, and for those Domestic class customers which do have a separate meter for irrigation purposes provided by CWS to the property on which the account is located, billable wastewater volume is based on 100% of metered water usage.</li> <li>Wastewater charges for non-residential or multi-family accounts are based on 100% of water usage.</li> <li>CWS Domestic class customers who are provided retail water service by St. Johns Water Company are billed for wastewater based on 100% of water volume.</li> <li>Single family residences without an irrigation meter will be charged no more than the maximum rate for wastewater service. Maximum charge is based on 18 Ccf of water usage (17.1 Ccf wastewater volume).</li> </ol>		
Extra Strength Surcharge (Rate/Ccf)		
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) \$0.00411 per mg/l over 290 mg/l		
Total Suspended Solids (TSS) \$0.00416 per mg/l over 290 mg/l		