



GWINNETT COUNTY
WATER RESOURCES
DWR RATES AND FEE SCHEDULE
JANUARY 2026

Residential Accounts - Monthly Charges and Fees (Note 1)

Meter	Base Charges (Note 2)		Water Usage Rates (Note 3)			Sewer Rates
			Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	
Meter Size	Base Water Charge	Base Sewer Charge	Cost per 1,000 Gallons (0-8,000 Gallons)	Cost per 1,000 Gallons (8,001-12,000 Gallons)	Cost per 1,000 Gallons (12,001+ Gallons)	Sewer Charge per 1,000 Gallons of Water Used
3/4"	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$8.67	\$11.56	\$9.43
1"	\$16.50	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$8.67	\$11.56	\$9.43
1 1/2"	\$27.00	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$8.67	\$11.56	\$9.43
2"	\$52.50	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$8.67	\$11.56	\$9.43

Notes

1. The monthly billing cycle represents the time between two consecutive bills issued from Gwinnett County Water Resources and typically ranges from 28 – 33 days as needed to account for holidays, weekends, and meter reading schedule. It does not necessarily follow a calendar month specifically.
2. The monthly base charge for all service types provided. All sewer accounts will be charged a monthly sewer base fee and a water base fee.
3. The tiered rates are calculated in an escalating manner. For example, if a customer used 9,000 gallons of water, Tier 1 rates would apply to the first 8,000 gallons, and Tier 2 rates would apply for the next 1,000 gallons. Tier 2 rates would not apply to the entire volume.

Residential Accounts - New Meter and System Development Charge Fees							
One-Time Fees							
Meter	Administration Fees			Meter Fees	System Development Charges (Note 3)		Total Cost for New Connection
Meter Size	Account Activation Fee (Note 1)	Water Setup Admin Fee	Sewer Setup Admin Fee	Meter Fee (New Meters Only) (Note 2)	Water (New Connection Only)	Sewer (New Connection Only)	Total for New Connection (Water and Sewer)
3/4"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,397.00	\$1,128.00	\$4,147.00	\$6,747.00
1"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,569.00	\$3,610.00	\$13,270.00	\$18,524.00
1 1/2"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,381.00	\$8,573.00	\$31,517.00	\$43,546.00
2"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,639.00	\$15,679.00	\$57,643.00	\$77,036.00

Notes

1. The fee for setting up a new account or transferring an existing account to a different address (water or water/sewer). No account activation fee is charged when adding sewer to an existing water account at address being served.
2. The meter price includes installation by Gwinnett County Water Resources. Allow a minimum of 30 business days for a new meter to be set.
3. The fee covers the customer's pro-rated share of the costs incurred by Gwinnett County Water Resources for the construction of the water and sewer system infrastructure.

Commercial and Multi-Family Residential Accounts - Monthly Rates and Fees

Meter	Base Charges (Note 1)		Water Usage Rates		
Meter Size	Water	Sewer	Cost per 1,000 Gallons of Water Used	Sewer Charge per 1,000 Gallons of Water Used	Non-Potable Reuse Cost per 1,000 Gallons Used (Note 2)
3/4"	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
1"	\$16.50	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
1 1/2"	\$27.00	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
2"	\$52.50	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
3"	\$144.00	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
4"	\$210.00	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
6"	\$400.00	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
8"	\$750.00	\$7.50	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
10"	Varies	Varies	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
12"	Varies	Varies	\$5.78	\$9.43	\$1.13
Multifamily Property (Note 3)	\$10 per unit		\$5.78	\$9.43	N/A

Notes

1. The monthly base charge for all service types provided. All sewer accounts will be charged a monthly sewer base fee and a water base fee.
2. The Non-Potable Reuse Rate is the rate for reclaimed water.
3. Multi-family properties are any properties that have multiple residential units on a single meter. This can include duplexes, apartment complexes, or a townhome community. The base charge for these properties is \$10 per unit.

Commercial and Multi-Family Residential Accounts - New Meter and System Development Charge Fees									
One-Time Fees									
Meter	Administration Fees			Meter Fees	Deposit for Commercial & Multi-Family Residential		System Development Charges (Note 2)		Total Cost for New Connection
Meter Size	Account Activation Fee	Water Setup Admin Fee	Sewer Setup Admin Fee	Meter Fee (New Only) (Note 1)	Water (New Accounts Only)	Sewer (New Accounts Only)	Water (New Connection Only)	Sewer (New Connection Only)	Total for New Connection (Water and Sewer)
3/4"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,397.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$1,128.00	\$4,147.00	\$6,897.00
1"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,569.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$3,610.00	\$13,270.00	\$18,674.00
1 1/2"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,381.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$8,573.00	\$31,517.00	\$43,696.00
2"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,639.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$15,679.00	\$57,643.00	\$77,186.00
3"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,535.00	\$775.00	\$925.00	\$39,142.00	\$143,901.00	\$187,218.00
4"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,830.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,825.00	\$62,830.00	\$230,988.00	\$299,855.00
6"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,145.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,200.00	\$125,434.00	\$461,146.00	\$598,449.00
8"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$4,140.00	\$6,800.00	\$8,200.00	\$200,671.00	\$737,751.00	\$958,956.00
10"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	Varies	\$6,800.00	\$8,200.00	Varies	Varies	Varies
12"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	Varies	Varies	Varies	Varies	Varies	Varies

Notes

1. Meter fees for meters between 3/4" and 2" include installation by Gwinnett County Water Resources. Allow a minimum of 30 business days for a new meter to be set. Meter fees for meters larger than 2" are for the meter cost only and do not include installation.
2. These are fees for the customer's pro-rated share of the costs incurred by Gwinnett County Water Resources for the construction of the water and sewer system infrastructure; any SDC charge for a meter over 8" is determined by Gwinnett County Water Resources.

Irrigation and Builder Accounts - Monthly Rates and Fees

Meter	Base Charges (Note 1)		Water Usage Rates	
Meter Size	Irrigation and Builder Base Water Charge	Base Sewer Charge (Builder Only)	Irrigation and Builder Cost per 1,000 Gallons of Water Used	Sewer Charge per 1,000 Gallons of Water Used (Builder Only)
3/4"	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$11.56	\$9.43
1"	\$16.50	\$7.50	\$11.56	\$9.43
1 1/2"	\$27.00	\$7.50	\$11.56	\$9.43
2"	\$52.50	\$7.50	\$11.56	\$9.43

Notes

1. The monthly base charge and fees charged for the water used. All sewer accounts will be charged a monthly sewer base fee and a water base fee.

Irrigation and Builder Accounts - New Meter and System Development Charge Fees

One-Time Fees							
Meter	Administrative Fees			Meter Fees	System Development Charges (Note 2)		Total Cost for New Connection
Meter Size	Account Activation Fee	Water Setup Admin Fee	Sewer Setup Admin Fee	Meter Fee (New Construction Only) (Note 1)	Water (New Construction Only)	Sewer (New Construction Only)	Total for New Connection (Water and Sewer)
3/4"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,397.00	\$1,128.00	\$4,147.00	\$6,747.00
1"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$1,569.00	\$3,610.00	\$13,270.00	\$18,524.00
1 1/2"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,381.00	\$8,573.00	\$31,517.00	\$43,546.00
2"	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$3,639.00	\$15,679.00	\$57,643.00	\$77,036.00

Notes

1. Meter price includes installation by Gwinnett County Water Resources. Allow a minimum of 30 business days for a new meter to be set.
2. The fee covers the customer's pro-rated share of the costs incurred by Gwinnett County Water Resources for the construction of the water and sewer system infrastructure.

Administrative & Materials - Rates and Fees

	Fee Description	Cost per Occurrence	Cost Per Unit	Comments
Accounts	Late charges			All past due accounts shall incur a monthly penalty of 10% of the unpaid balance.
	Returned check fee/insufficient funds			Maximum allowable by State Law
	Restore water service: locked off for non-payment	\$25.00		
	Same-day reconnection charge	\$75.00		Same-day restoration upon request is subject to availability between Monday and Friday, 8:00am – 4:00pm.
	Lien fee	\$100.00		Lien filed for unpaid bills
	Meter tampering/damage fee	Varies		1st occurrence - \$250.00 2nd occurrence - \$500.00 3rd occurrence - \$750.00 (Water Meter Removed) 4th occurrence - \$1,000.00 5th occurrence - \$1,000.00 (Service Line Removed + Potential Prosecution)
Materials	Construction projects plans/specs	\$150.00	Per set	From the County (also available through design consultants)
Open Records	Open records research fee	Varies		
Paperless Billing	Discount for switching to paperless billing	\$0.40	One time credit	

Water - Rates and Fees

	Fee Description	Cost per Occurrence	Cost Per Unit	Comments
Water	Meter test: customer request	\$225.00	5/8" - 1" meter	
	Meter test: customer request	\$515.00	1 1/2" + meter	
	Meter move: directional bore	\$50.00		Per linear foot
	Move 3/4" short/long service: Customer request	\$1,765.00		
	Pull meter: customer request	\$85.00	5/8" - 1" meter	
	Pull meter: customer request	\$170.00	1 1/2" + meter	
	Abandoned tap fee	\$1,765.00		
	Raise/lower meter: customer request	\$170.00		
	Reduce meter size: customer request	\$225.00	3/4" meter	
	Replace meter box & lid: customer request	\$150.00		
	Replace stolen or missing meter: customer request	\$225.00	3/4" meter	
	Uncover buried meter: customer request	\$175.00		
	Flow test - pressure & volume	\$145.00	5/8" - 1" meter	
	Flow test - pressure & volume	\$350.00	1 1/2" + meter	

Wastewater - Rates and Fees

	Fee Description	Cost per Occurrence	Cost Per Unit	Comments
Sewer	Mainline sewer tap fee	\$550.00	Each	Customer provides excavation, backfill/restoration, and pavement repairs. If required for a new development, fee will be paid at time of system development charge payment.
	Sewer TV initial inspection	\$45.00 base charge plus \$0.46 per linear foot	\$0.46/LF	Initial inspection
	Sewer TV additional inspections	\$300.00 base charge plus \$1.00 per linear foot (\$300.00 minimum charge)	\$1.00/LF	Subsequent inspection (min \$300); Re-inspection results and final signoff will not be released until all fees have been paid in full; Additional fees for TV inspection will be required if approved in more than one "phase or unit" and will be collected at the time of re-approval. If re-inspection is needed, added fees will be due after the inspection; Re-inspection fees are based on feet of pipe re-inspected; pipes previously "passed" will not be charged again.
	Manhole core inspection fee	\$85.00		Required if line ties directly to an existing manhole.
	Sewer plug spill violation	Varies	Varies	\$500 Per spill during normal hours (8am-5pm) \$1,000 Per spill after hours \$5,000 Per spill if over 30,000 gallons are spilled
	Septic tank dump tickets		\$100	One ticket includes 1,000 gallons of septage volume rounded up. Example: If a truck contains 3,400 gallons of septage, 4 tickets are required
Materials	Construction projects plans/specs	\$100.00	Per set	From the County (also available through design consultants)

Stormwater - Rates and Fees

	Fee Description	Cost per Occurrence	Cost Per Unit	Comments
Stormwater	Stormwater TV initial inspection	\$45.00 base charge plus \$0.30 per linear foot	\$0.46/LF	Initial inspection
	Stormwater TV additional inspections	\$300.00 base charge plus \$1.00 per linear foot (\$300.00 minimum charge)	\$1.00/LF	Subsequent inspection (min \$300.00); Re-inspection results and final signoff will not be released until all fees have been paid in full; Additional fees for TV inspection will be required if approved in more than one "phase or unit" and will be collected at the time of re-approval. If re-inspection is needed, added fees will be due after the inspection; Re-inspection fees are based on feet of pipe re-inspected; pipes previously "passed" will not be charged again.
	Stormwater Fees		\$2.46 X each 100 square feet of impervious surface	These fees are calculated by using the impervious surface on your property multiplied by the current stormwater rate. These fees can be located on the property tax bill related to each parcel and are paid annually. Impervious surface is defined as any paved, hardened or structural surfaces, including but not limited to, building, dams, decks, driveways, parking areas, patios, streets, swimming pools, tennis courts, walkways or other structures which prevent or impede the infiltration of stormwater into the soil.

Fire Hydrants - Rates and Fees

All other fire hydrant usage is prohibited (other than by the Fire Department)

	Fee Description	Cost per Occurrence	Cost Per Unit	Comments
Fire Hydrant Meter Rental	Fire hydrant usage: metered connection	\$905.00 Deposit	per rental unit metered connection	
	Air GAP truck inspections for fire hydrant filling	\$25.00		
	Fire hydrant usage: metered connection	\$5.00/day meter rental fee	per day	
	Fire hydrant usage: metered connection	\$20.00 One time service fee	monthly	
	Fire hydrant usage: metered connection	Actual water usage charge	water volumetric rate applicable to non-fire related water usage is the Tier 1 volumetric rate	
	Fire hydrant: damaged/tampered meter	\$905.00	per meter	
	Fire hydrant: failure to test long term meter	\$250.00	per meter	
	Fire hydrant: failure to submit long term fire hydrant meter read penalty	Varies		60,000 gallons of water use
Fire Protection	Fire protection taps: Fireline base fees		\$2.00 per month per inch of pipe diameter	
	Fire line usage: metered connection	Actual water usage charge	water volumetric rate applicable to non-fire related water usage is 3.0 times the Tier 1 volumetric rate	Meter is read and billed once a year.

Notes

1. Other categories as may be deemed appropriate by the Gwinnett County Water Resources Department Director.
2. Residential swimming pools will no longer be permitted to use fire hydrant water for filling.
3. Meters must be brought in for recalibration every six months (fines will be assessed for noncompliance).

Pump Station - Rates and Fees

Phase-out charge - for development-installed sewage pumping stations, the sewage pumping station phase out charge will be based on the following formula

$$D \times C(1 + cci)^{20} (P/F)$$

D	Distance from the pumping station to the nearest downgradient interceptor sewer. If no downgradient sewer exists at the time of plan approval, the distance used shall be to that of the centerline of the stream along which a future interceptor will be built according to the DWR Master Plan. The maximum distance used shall be 5,000 feet.
C	The cost per linear foot of constructing new 8-inch gravity sewer as estimated by the Department of Water Resources using recent competitive bids on other projects.
cci	Average construction cost index factor of the previous five years.
P/F	The factor to calculate the present worth of future expenses in twenty years at an interest rate equal to the effective rate of the most recent water and sewer revenue bond issue.