

Monthly Residential Utility Rates

The following has been created to explain in detail how a residential utility bill is calculated. These rates are effective **July 1st, 2024**.

Water:

A residential water bill is calculated from a fixed and variable cost.

The fixed cost is based on your water meter size.

The variable cost is charged per 100 cubic feet of water used or 748 gallons.

The following table describes our current water rates.

| Meter Size | Monthly Base Rate 0-3 units | Use Charge \$ per 100 CU. FT. 0-3 units |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 5/8" x 3/4" | \$4.35 | \$4.34 |
| 3/4" | 4.35 | 4.34 |
| 1" | 9.60 | 4.34 |
| 1 1/2" | 19.07 | 4.34 |
| 2" | 33.23 | 4.34 |
| Meter Size | Monthly Base Rate 4 or more units | Use Charge \$ per 100 CU. FT. 4 or more units |
| 5/8" x 3/4" | \$9.35 | \$4.50 |
| 3/4" | 9.35 | 4.50 |
| 1" | 14.60 | 4.50 |
| 1 1/2" | 24.07 | 4.50 |
| 2" | 38.23 | 4.50 |

Most residential houses in the City of Milwaukie have a 5/8" X 3/4" water meter.

Calculate your bill:

If you have a 5/8" x 3/4" water meter and the usage in 100 CU. FT. on your bill is 6, the monthly water portion of your bill would be:

Fixed rate + (Consumption * Volume Rate) = Water Bill

$$\$4.35 + (3 * 4.34) = \$17.37$$

$$\$9.35 + (3 * 4.34) + (3*4.50) = \$35.87$$

Wastewater:

The residential sewer bill is calculated from two fixed charges and a variable cost.

The first fixed cost is \$4.35 per account and the second fixed cost is \$34.36 per month per dwelling unit.

The volume cost for residential is \$3.99 multiplied by your winter average. If you are a new customer with no usage data, a winter average of 6 is used.

The following table describes our current monthly sewer rates. ***

| Effective Date | Fixed#1 | Fixed#2 * | Volume ** |
|----------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| 7/1/2024 | \$4.35 | \$34.36 | \$3.99 |

**Fixed charge#2 is imposed per unit for residential accounts.*

***Volume charge is imposed per CCF (Hundred Cubic feet, set by winter average).*

Calculate your bill:

Assuming a single-family residence winter average is 6, the monthly sewer bill would be:

Fixed charge#1 + fixed charge#2 (winter average * volume rate) = sewer bill

$$\$4.35 + \$34.36 (6 * \$3.99) = \$62.65$$

Storm:

The storm fee is a fixed charge and goes towards maintaining the storm system.

Calculate your bill:

For single family residential the storm fee is \$29.47 monthly.

For a duplex, the storm bill is 2 * \$29.47, or \$58.94.

Street:

The street maintenance fee is a fixed charge and goes towards improving roads in the City of Milwaukee.

The street maintenance fee is a set amount and does not increase annually.

Calculate your bill:

For single family residences the charge is \$6.06 monthly

For multi-family residences the charge is \$5.29 monthly for each dwelling unit.

SAFE:

SAFE stands for safe access for everyone. Funds from the SAFE charge go towards improving pedestrian safety and access through the City.

Calculate your bill:

For single family residences the charge is \$6.75 monthly

For multi-family residences the charge is \$5.71 monthly for each dwelling unit.

Average Single Family Residence Bill:

The average single-family residence uses 600 cubic feet (6 CCF) of water monthly and has a 5/8"x3/4" meter.

This customer's monthly utility bill would be:

Water: $\$9.35 + (6 * 4.50) = \36.35

Sewer: $\$4.35 + \$34.36 (6 * \$3.99) = \62.65

Storm: \$29.47

Street: \$6.06

SAFE: \$6.75

Total Amount Due: \$141.28