

HOWARD COUNTY MARYLAND - BUREAU OF UTILITIES

**RESOLUTION #81
2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Water & Sewer House Connection Charges and Rate Schedule - Effective July 1, 2026

QUARTERLY WATER SERVICE CHARGES				QUARTERLY SEWER SERVICE CHARGES			
METER	SIZE	WATER HOUSE	IN-AIDS	SUMMER		WINTER	
				CONNECTION CHARGE	WATER USAGE	WATER USAGE	SEWER ACCT USER
<u>SIGN</u>	<u>METER</u>	<u>CONNECTION CHARGE</u>	<u>IN-AIDS</u>	<u>RATE ⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>RATE ⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>	<u>CHARGE ⁽¹⁾</u>
A	5/8"	No Longer Available	\$600	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$15.44	\$4.38
B	3/4"	Min	\$600	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$15.44	\$4.38
C	1"	Cost/Min	\$600	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$15.44	\$4.38
D	1-1/2"	Cost/Min	\$4,800	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$49.86	\$4.38
E	2"	Cost/Min	\$7,680	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$49.86	\$4.38
F	3"	Cost/Min	\$16,800	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$49.86	\$4.38
G	4"	Cost/Min	\$28,800	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$253.55	\$4.38
H	6"	Cost/Min	\$64,800	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$253.55	\$4.38
I	8"	Cost/Min	\$230,400	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$253.55	\$4.38
J	10"	Cost/Min	\$336,000	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$253.55	\$4.38
K	12"	Cost/Min	\$422,400	\$3.04	\$2.71	\$253.55	\$4.38

Reclaimed Water Charge \$1.29

Sewer House Connection Charge

4" and 6" Sewer - \$4,500

8" and Larger Sewer-Cost with a minimum of \$4,500

Private Fire Protection System Charges

Construction Cost	Connection Size	Quarterly Rate	
(Advance Deposit)	4"	\$229.41	\$35.00 per check
(Advance Deposit)	6"	\$229.41	At Cost per visit
(Advance Deposit)	8"	\$229.41	\$124.99 per visit
(Advance Deposit)	10"	\$229.41	\$124.99

Bypass Meter \$300.00 (all sizes)

- Type of Service
- 1 Water/Sewer
- 2 Water only
- 3 Sewer Only
- 6 Fire Protection

SPECIAL CHARGES

Bad Check Handling

Special Reading of Meter (10 day notice required)

Delinquent meter setting service charge

Turning Water Off at Meter

Turning Water On at Meter

Remove Meter – 5/8" or ¾" Meter

Restore Meter – 5/8" or ¾" Meter

Remove or Restore 1" or Larger Meter

Water Meter Setting 5/8" – No Longer Available

Water Meter Setting ¾"

Water Meter Setting 1"

Water Meter Setting 1-1/2"

Water Meter Setting 2"

Water Meter Setting 3" and Larger

Late Charge (Bill Unpaid 30 Days After Bill Date)

Sewer Service Only (No Water) Flat Charge

At Cost
10 % of Net Bill
\$81.23 /Quarter

Notes

- Summer Rates effective May 1st to October 31st (for each 748 gallons used) | Winter Rates effective November 1st to April 30th (for each 748 gallons used)
- Utility Connection Charges : for connections (1) installed under a capital project, or (2) applied for by the property owner on or before August 13, 2007 in accordance with 18.104(c) of the Howard County Code: 1" connection with ¾" meter, \$2,400.00 (meter not included); any larger connection or meter @ cost, minimum of \$2,400.00 by Advanced Deposit Order, (meter not included). Sewer Connection 4" & 6" - \$4,500.00; 8" & larger @ cost, minimum of \$4,500.00 by Advance Deposit Order.
- Utility Connection Charges: for connections (1) not installed under a capital project, or (2) applied for by the property owner on or before August 13, 2007 in accordance with 18.104(b) of the Howard County Code: 1" connection with ¾" meter, \$300.00 administration & inspection fee (meter not included); any larger connection or meter @ cost by Advanced Deposit Order, (meter not included). Sewer Connection 4" & 6" - \$300.00 administration & inspection fee; 8" & larger @ cost by Advance Deposit Order.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT AND OTHER CHARGES

Effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027

FRONT FOOT BENEFIT CHARGES

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<u>Residential</u>	<u>Water (Per Foot)</u>	<u>Sewer (Per Foot)</u>
1st 150 feet	\$0.81	\$1.13
2nd 150 feet	\$0.61	\$0.85
All over 300 feet	\$0.30	\$0.42

Condominium and Apartments (25' per unit - Minimum)

Townhouses (25' Minimum)

All Property - (Actual or minimum footage applies - whichever is greater - contact the Department of Finance, 410-313-2061).

Commercial

All Frontage

\$1.01

\$1.41

All property (actual or minimum footage applies - whichever is greater - contact the Department of Finance, 410-313-2061).

AD VALOREM CHARGE/GENERAL SYSTEM BENEFIT CHARGE

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Point zero eight dollars (\$0.08) per each \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation upon all property, located within the Metropolitan District or located outside the Metropolitan District connected by order of the Health Department.

All above rates, charges or taxes are subject to change with passage of new Council Bills and/or Resolutions during subsequent Legislative Sessions.