



Notice Of Water Rate Change

April 2018

The Village of South River will implement new water rates for the July/August billing cycle. Water used following the meter reading in June 2018 will be charged according to the new rates.

The water rates include consumption charges and a service charge. The consumption charge is the amount of water used according to the reading from your water meter. Consumption is charged by the cubic meter in tiered increments. The service charge contributes to the fixed costs of producing and delivering water to customers.

The new rates will increase each cubic meter of water by 5 cents and the service charge by \$2.50 bi-monthly. Historically water rates have been reviewed and increased every two years. The last regular increase was done in 2016. Billing by consumption began in 2014.

There are 4 types of customer classifications: Residential, Non-Resident, Commercial and Multi-Unit.

How Much Will My Water Cost?

RESIDENTIAL RATES *Regular households within the Village of South River*

Bi-monthly service charge \$49.50

Tiered increments of consumption are billed per cubic meter within blocks of 10m³

Blocks of Consumption	Cubic Meters of Water In Block	Cost per Cubic Meter Of Water Used In Each Block
Block 1	0 - 10	\$1.45
Block 2	11 - 20	\$1.60
Block 3	21 - 30	\$1.75
Block 4	31 - 40	\$1.90
Block 5	41 - 50	\$2.05
Block 6	51 - 60	\$2.20
Block 7	61+	\$2.35

1 cubic meter of water = 1,000 litres. That's equivalent to five hundred 2litre pop bottles!

EXAMPLES: Bill for a household using 14 m³ of water per billing cycle (two month period) = \$70.40
 Bill for a household using 27 m³ of water per billing cycle (two month period) = \$92.25

NON-RESIDENT RATES *Households outside the Village of South River boundary*

Bi-monthly service charge \$67.50

Tiered increments of consumption are billed per cubic meter within blocks of 10m³

Blocks of Consumption	Cubic Meters of Water In Block	Cost per Cubic Meter Of Water Used In Each Block
Block 1	0 - 10	\$2.15
Block 2	11 - 20	\$2.25
Block 3	21 - 30	\$2.35
Block 4	31 - 40	\$2.45
Block 5	41 - 50	\$2.55
Block 6	51 - 60	\$2.65
Block 7	61+	\$3.15

Did you know one cup of take-out coffee costs approximately the same as 1,000 litres of potable water?

EXAMPLES: Bill for a household using 14 m³ of water per billing cycle (two month period) = \$98.00
 Bill for a household using 27 m³ of water per billing cycle (two month period) = \$127.95

New Water Rates Continued...

COMMERCIAL *Commercial customers with only one unit using the meter*

Bi-monthly service charge \$59.50

Tiered increments of consumption are billed per cubic meter within blocks of 20m³

Blocks of Consumption	Cubic Meters of Water In Block	Cost per Cubic Meter Of Water Used In Each Block
Block 1	0 - 20	\$1.50
Block 2	21-40	\$1.80
Block 3	41-60	\$2.10
Block 4	61-80	\$2.40
Block 5	81-100	\$2.70
Block 6	101-120	\$3.00
Block 7	121+	\$3.30

EXAMPLES: Bill for a business using 25 m³ of water per billing cycle (two month period) = \$98.50
 Bill for a business using 55 m³ of water per billing cycle (two month period) = \$157.00

The expected increase for an average household is equal to \$2.45/month.

MULTI-UNIT RATES *Customers with two or more units using the meter (residential or commercial units)*

Bi-monthly service charge \$44.50 per unit

Tiered increments of consumption are billed per cubic meter within blocks of 25m³

Blocks of Consumption	Cubic Meters of Water In Block	Cost per Cubic Meter Of Water Used In Each Block
Block 1	0-25	\$1.35
Block 2	26-50	\$1.40
Block 3	51-75	\$1.45
Block 4	76-100	\$1.50
Block 5	101-125	\$1.55
Block 6	126-150	\$1.60
Block 7	151 +	\$1.65

One leaking toilet can waste up to 200,000 litres of water per year. 1

Vacant properties with an annual access charge will now be billed bi-annually. Bills will be mailed in June and December at a new rate of \$42.25 each instead of one annual bill in the amount of \$84.50.

- *If your home was built before 1996 (and you haven't changed your toilet), chances are your toilet is using 13 to 20 litres of water every time you flush.*
- *On average, a person flushes the toilet five times each day, which means that approximately 65 to 100 litres of water per person per day is used just flushing older toilets.*
- *If you replaced your showerhead before 1996 and you haven't made any upgrades, your shower could be using up to 20 litres of water per minute. For a 10-minute shower, this means you are using 200 litres of water and one bath can use up to 200 litres of water. 2*