

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**City of Philomath**  
**UTILITY FEES**  
**Residential**  
**Effective Date July 1, 2023**

**Water Rates**

Monthly base charge	
3/4" / 5/8"	\$13.00
1"	\$32.50
Low Income	\$13.00
Volume charge per unit of water consumed:	
Residential, single family	\$ 5.30

**Sewer Rates**

Monthly base charge	\$25.85
Low income base charge	\$15.00
Volume charge per unit of water consumed	\$ 6.80

Sewer charges during the summer months of May through October are computed on the customer's average monthly water usage during the preceding months of November through April. Residential customers that do not have water service will be charged a flat sewer rate equal to the base fee and a volume fee of 8 units.

**Storm Drain Fee**

All customers living within the City limits are charged a monthly fee for maintenance and repair of storm sewer facilities.

Monthly fee:	
Residential, single family	\$ 3.20
Duplex	\$ 6.35
Low income	\$ 2.20

**Street Utility Fee**

All properties within the City limits are charged a monthly fee for maintenance and repair of the city streets.

Monthly fee:	
Residential, single family	\$ 8.45
Duplex	\$13.55
Low income	\$ 4.75

**Application for Service:**

New account	\$25.00
Transfer fee	\$10.00

**New Service Connections:**

Water Meter Installation up to 1"	\$1,100.00
Water meter > 1"	Market Cost

**ADDITIONAL FEES:**

**Penalty Fees:**

Turning on water without authority	\$120.00
Returned Check (NSF fee or closed account)	\$50.00
After hours callout fee	\$100.00
Shutoff notice fee: Nonpayment or backflow device compliance	\$10.00
Shutoff fee: Nonpayment or backflow device compliance	\$30.00

**Payments:** If you cannot make your payment on time, please call the Water Department at 929-3501 to make payment arrangements. Accounts with a 30-day balance are subject to a 1½% per month late fee.

Accounts are delinquent if not paid within 45 days. If an account becomes delinquent, and a shutoff notice is delivered, there will be a \$10 fee added to the account.

If payment is not received as required on the shutoff notice, the water will be shut off and a \$30 service fee will be added to the account. If the water is shut off, then the minimum payment (past due balance minus current balance) plus a \$40 service fee must be paid before the water service will be turned back on.

**Disputes:** If you dispute the accuracy of the billing, you must present your objection within fifteen (15) days after the date of your bill. Failure to file a notice of objection to the billing shall constitute a waiver of your right to object.

**Underground Leaks:** If you have a leak in a pipe between the meter and the building, repair it promptly and notify the Water Department. You may be eligible for an adjustment of up to 50% of the water that was lost. Sewer charges on the water that was lost will be adjusted for those customers billed on actual units.

**Summer Sewer Rates:** Using average winter water consumption to compute summer sewer fees is an attempt to keep sewer bills from rising when water use goes up due to outside watering during the summer. When a customer has no history of usage for the preceding winter, the Water Department will use an estimate based on 8 units of water. Summer sewer average rates are applied to all residential customers unless a customer requests to be billed on actual units of water.

**Rounding:** One unit of water is 748 gallons. If there is less than ½ unit of water used, the units will be rounded down to the whole number of units used. If there is more than ½ unit of water used, the units will be rounded to the next whole number of units.