



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

SCHEDULE FOR

Water and Sewer Fees

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The following is a list of fees for water services and sewer laterals, and water and sewer capacity charges including potable and recycled water for the City of San Diego. Capacity and service installation fees associated with new construction are determined during the building permit plan review process.

A Water Meter Data Card is used to determine the correct size required for the water meter, water service and sewer lateral. All water and sewer costs associated with construction will be assessed at the time of building permit issuance. All water meters and taps into public water mains must be installed by the Public Utilities Department. Water services or sewer laterals may be installed by a contractor or owner-builder. A separate Public Right-of-Way permit is required for contractor or owner-builder installations in the Public Right-of-Way. For more information refer to Information Bulletin 166 "How to Obtain a Permit for Water, Sewer or Fire Service."

I. CAPACITY CHARGE

A capacity charge is collected when expanding existing facilities to accommodate growth. Water and sewer capacity charges are calculated by Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU).

Water Capacity Charge (per EDU)..... \$3,047
Effective July 1, 2007
 Sewer Capacity Charge (per EDU)..... \$4,124
Effective July 1, 2007

Generally, Equivalent Dwelling Units are calculated as follows.

A. Residential

- Single Dwelling Units 1 EDU
- Mobile Homes 1 EDU
- Guest Houses (w/partial kitchen) ½ EDU
- Multiple Living Units (where each unit has its own separate meter)..... 1 EDU

For multiple living units using a common water meter, a density break is given. See the following Density Chart.

B. Commercial, Industrial, Manufacturing Facilities

All nonresidential facilities, including tenant

Documents referenced in this Information Bulletin

- [Information Bulletin 113](#), How to Obtain Approval for Cross-Connection Control
- [Information Bulletin 166](#), How to Obtain a Permit for Water, Sewer or Fire Services
- [Water Meter Data Card, DS-16](#)
- [General Application, DS-3032](#)
- [Irrigation Meter Checklist, DS-5852](#)

LIVING UNITS PER NET ACRE	EQUIVALENT FAMILY UNIT	LIVING UNITS PER NET ACRE	EQUIVALENT FAMILY UNIT
8	.97	41	.71
9	.96	42	.705
10	.75	43	.70
11	.94	44	.69
12	.935	45	.685
13	.925	46	.68
14	.915	47	.675
15	.905	48	.67
16	.895	49	.665
17	.89	50	.66
18	.88	51	.655
19	.87	52	.65
20	.865	53	.645
21	.855	54	.64
22	.845	55	.635
23	.84	56	.635
24	.83	57	.63
25	.825	58	.625
26	.815	59	.62
27	.81	60	.62
28	.80	61	.615
29	.795	62	.615
30	.785	63	.61
31	.78	64	.605
32	.77	65	.605
33	.765	66	.605
34	.755	67	.605
35	.75	68	.60
36	.745	69	.60
37	.74	70	.60
		GREATER THAN 70	.60

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DENSITY CHART			
WATER AND SEWER CAPACITY CHARGES MULTI-UNIT DEVELOPMENTS			
LIVING UNITS PER NET ACRE	EQUIVALENT FAMILY UNIT	LIVING UNITS PER NET ACRE	EQUIVALENT FAMILY UNIT
1-5	1.00	38	.73
6	.99	39	.725
7	.98	40	.72

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improvements, will be charged one EDU for each twenty fixture units, or fraction thereof, plus process water charges. A Water Meter Data Card is used to determine fixture unit count. Process water includes water vending machines, car wash facilities, cooling towers, and any other non-fixture type water usage or conversions- Process water is calculated by converting gallons used per day to EDU's, as follows:

500 gallons water per day..... 1 EDU
 280 gallons sewage per day..... 1 EDU

C. Combined Commercial and Residential Facilities

Commercial and residential units sharing a common water meter will be charged one EDU for each twenty fixture units or fraction thereof, plus any other applicable capacity charges.

D. Other Facilities

In addition to other applicable capacity charges, the following facilities are assessed capacity fees based on use:

Coin Operated Laundries
 (per washing machine)..... ½ EDU
 Recreation Vehicle (RV)
 Parks (per space) ½ EDU
 Boat Slips (per slip) ½ EDU

E. Oversized Meters and Irrigation Meters

Sewer capacity is not collected on irrigation meters. The water capacity charge is based on meter size, as follows:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>EDU</u>
1" x 3/4"	1
1"	2
1½"	6
2"	8
2-2" manifolded or 3"	32
4"	88

Note: Some residential uses may be exempt from water capacity charges for irrigation meters.

II. WATER SERVICES AND WATER METERS INSTALLED BY PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Water services, except for easement and encroachment connections, may be installed by the Public Utilities Department. The following is a list of the most common installations and their cost. Special estimates and approvals by the Public Utilities Department are required for installations not listed.

A. Water Meters

(Includes new, replacement, lost or stolen).
 When the correct size water service exists from the water main to the meter box, the Public Utilities Department will install a water meter at the following cost:

Water Meter Size

(Potable & Recycled) Fee Each Additional Trip

3/4" meter	\$111	\$47
1" x 3/4" meter ..	\$111	\$47
1" meter.....	\$130	\$47
1½" meter	\$294	\$62
2" meter.....	\$342	\$62
2-2" meter & manifold	\$443	\$184

The Public Utilities Department charges the following fees for water meter reductions:

Downsize Existing Water Meter Fee

1" x 3/4" meter on 1" service	\$110
1" x 3/4" meter on 2" service	\$151
1" meter on 2" service	\$151
1½" meter on 2" service	\$294

The Public Utilities Department charges the following fees for the removal of a water meter 3/4" to 2-2"

\$45

There is no charge to remove an existing meter if the new meter is to be installed in the same location. (Removal on Increase)

B. Water Service with Water Meter

The Public Utilities Department will install a water service from the main to the property line (40' length maximum) along with a water meter and a meter box. Water meters will not be located in a driveway and the service must be perpendicular to the main. The following is the basic cost of water service with meters:

Water Service with a Meter

(Potable & Recycled) Basic Fee

1" service with 1 x 3/4" meter	\$3,095
1" service with 1" meter	\$3,117
2" service with 1½" meter	\$4,773
2" service with 2" meter	\$4,816
2-2" services with 2-2" meters manifolded	\$6,300

C. Water Services (Includes Meter Box)

The Public Utilities Department will install a water service, without a meter, for the purpose of future use. The installation of a service is no guarantee a meter can be installed at a future date.

Water Service Size

<u>Water Service Size</u>	<u>Fee</u>
1"	\$3,045
2"	\$3,762
2-2"	\$4,285

D. Water Services Over 40' in Length

The following is a cost per linear foot that is charged for any portion of a water service installed by the Public Utilities Department that exceeds 40 feet in length.

Portion Water Service over 40' Overrun Fee

1"	\$ 91/ft.
2"	\$108/ft.
2-2" (manifold use only)	\$121/ft.

E. Backflow Protection Installation

Meters requiring backflow protection are required to install private backflow devices. All private backflows require a plumbing permit. For more information refer to Information Bulletin 113 "Cross Connection Control."

F. Permanently Disconnected by water services

Existing water services that will no longer be used must be disconnected.

1. Disconnect by Public Utilities Department

<u>Size</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3/4" to 2"	\$1,046

Water services to be killed at the same time the new service is installed (in same trenches and within 30" of existing
 No Charge for killing the existing..... \$0

2. Disconnect by Contractor/Owner-Builder

Water services may be disconnected by a contractor or owner-builder but must be inspected by the Public Utilities Department. A Public Right-of-Way permit will be required. For work in the right-of-way, see Information Bulletin 166 "How to Obtain a Permit for Water, Sewer or Fire Service.

Kill Service Inspection

3/4" to 2"	\$245
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G. Water Meter Credit

The following is the amount credited toward the cost of a new water meter when removing existing water meters due to upgrading:

<u>Existing Water Meter</u>	<u>Credit</u>
5/8"	\$35
3/4"	\$59
1 x 3/4"	\$40
1"	\$59
1 1/2"	\$149
2"	\$191

H. Cross Connection Test Fee

A cross connection test is required when a recycled water meter is to be installed.

Original Test and Retest	\$468
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III. WATER SERVICE INSTALLED BY CONTRACTOR OR OWNER BUILDER

Although services may be installed by contractors or owner-builders, only the Public Utilities Department may tap into a public water main. All wet taps require Public Right-of-Way Permits.

<u>Wet Tap Size</u>	<u>Fee</u>
1"-2"	\$254
4" to 12"	\$318

IV. SEWER LATERAL INSTALLED BY CONTRACTOR OR OWNER-BUILDER

Sewer laterals may be installed by contractor or owner-builders. Sewer laterals installed by contractor or owner-builders require an Public Right-of-Way Permit.

An inspection is required by the Public Utilities Department and a fee is charged for this service.

<u>Sewer Lateral Inspection</u>	<u>Type Fee</u>
4"-8" Easement, Token or Encroachment	\$25

V. PLAN REVIEW FEES

No meter change	\$170
This fee is charge when a review results in no increase in meter size.	
Up to 2.9 EDUs (per meter)	\$315
3-5.9 EDUs (per meter)	\$485
6+EDUs (per meter)	\$607
Cross Connection Controls	\$85

Projects not associated with a building permit will be charged an Installation Order System set up fee at a rate of \$ 121.00/hr.

VI. REIMBURSEMENT FEES

In certain areas developers have agreed to install public water and/or sewer facilities for future use. An arrangement is made between the City and the Developer to collect the costs of these improvements from benefitting builders. Reimbursement fees are due at the time the water meter and/or sewer connection fees are paid and/or when water and sewer capacity fees are due. To determine if a particular lot is subject to these reimbursement fees and fee amounts, please visit the Development Services Department or phone (619) 533-5106.

VII. SCHEDULING WATER AND/OR SEWER INSTALLATION

After verification that all fees have been paid, water and/or sewer installations may be scheduled. Payment of the invoice will not automatically schedule installation. If these installations are a requirement to obtain a building permit, the building permit may not have a final inspection until all water and sewer installations are complete. To schedule water or sewer installations, see below.

For meter set only 2-2" and smaller & remove existing meter upon install of new meter, call (619) 527-7424.

For all other water: 3" meters and larger, wet taps, kill services, services & meters, main connections, call (619) 527-3944.

For sewer inspection,
East of 805, call (858) 654-4153
West of 805, call (858) 654-4152

VIII. COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY (CWA)

The San Diego County Water Authority is a separate agency from the City of San Diego which supplies water to the region. CWA charges a CWA Water System capacity fee and a Water Treatment Capacity fee when a new water meter is installed. These fees are based on the size of the water meter to be installed. If a water meter is required as a result of building plans, the fee will be collected at the time of building permit issuance. A fee schedule is available at the Development Services Department, third floor. For more information about fee amounts or requirements, call the County Water Authority at (858) 522-6600 or the Development Services Department at (619) 446-5000.

Note: CWA capacity fee does not apply to recycled water meters.

IX. PURCHASE OF IRRIGATION METERS

Generally, the purchase of new irrigation meters requires payment of a water capacity charge. (See I for Capacity charge)

Each irrigation meter has a corresponding EDU. (See table at I-E). Determine the number of EDU's to calculate the water capacity charge due.

X. INFORMATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF IRRIGATION METERS

To obtain an irrigation meter, please provide the following information:

1. Complete Permit Application (DS-3032)

To obtain a Plumbing Permit for the installation of a backflow preventer, the application must contain the address assigned to the property and the complete legal description. If an address has not been assigned to the property, provide a plot plan so that one can be assigned.

2. Complete Irrigation Meter Checklist (DS-5852)

3. For fees on irrigation meters and services, see II A-D,

4. If you wish to install the water service yourself, a Public Right-of-Way permit will be required for trenching in the public right-of-way.

For more information on how to obtain a permit to install a water service, see Information Bulletin 166 "How to Obtain a Permit for Water, Sewer or Fire Service". Installing the water service yourself requires the purchase of a wet tap.