City of White Bear Lake
Utility Rate Changes for 2021

Water Rates

Water Consumption Rates: White Bear Lake’s municipal water service involves the operation, maintenance, and repair of all facilities necessary for the production, storage, treatment and distribution of water. The City operates four deep wells, three storage reservoirs and one treatment plant to ensure sufficient water is available to the community. Your winter quarter consumption sets the “base” consumption for the year. The non-winter conservation rate applies to the water consumption above the “base” level for the other three quarterly billing cycles during the year. Your utility bill shows your water charge calculated in units of water.

1 unit = 750 gallons.

Water Infrastructure Fee: The usage rates listed below generate revenue for operating costs but do not provide additional revenues for more significant infrastructure repairs and/or replacements. To help generate revenues for future water infrastructure investments, a Water Infrastructure Fee is being added. The fee will replace the former $4/qtr Lake Litigation Fee, as those costs have now been fully reimbursed; $1.00 per quarter is added to the residential infrastructure fee to cover costs related to the residential water meter replacement program.

Residential Customers:

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<td>0 – 8 units (minimum)</td>
<td>$13.80 per quarter</td>
<td>$13.76 per quarter</td>
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<td>Winter quarter rate*</td>
<td>$1.65 per unit</td>
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<td>Lake Level Litigation fee</td>
<td>$4.00 per quarter</td>
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<td>Infrastructure fee</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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Commercial and Institutional Customers:

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<td>8 – 27 units*</td>
<td>$1.60 per unit</td>
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<td>27 – 75 units*</td>
<td>$1.65 per unit</td>
<td>$1.72 per unit</td>
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<td>Over 75 units*</td>
<td>$1.85 per unit</td>
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*Rate for consumption over 8 units in the winter quarter & “base” rate for the other three quarterly billing cycles.
**Conservation rate for consumption above the winter quarter rate for the other three quarterly billing cycles.

State Water Testing Fee: The State’s annual water testing fee is $9.72 for 2020, which is $2.43 each quarter. The City collects this fee on the quarterly utility bills and submits the funds directly to the State. The City does not set the rate nor keep any of the funds.
Sewer Rates

The City’s sanitary sewer service provides for the collection and conveyance of wastewater from your home or business to the regional treatment plant. The regional treatment plant, owned by Metropolitan Council Environment Services (MCES), processes and safely returns the wastewater to the environment. To recover the projected increase in the City’s operating and capital expenditure costs and the MCES disposal and treatment charges, the sewer rate increased from $4.30 to $4.45 per unit of wastewater contributed to the system in 2021. The City calculates your quarterly sewer charge based on your water consumption during the winter quarter or current water consumption, whichever is less. Customers using less than 8 units receive a minimum fee of $35.50. Your utility bill shows your sewer charge calculated in units of wastewater. 1 unit = 750 gallons.

Refuse and Recycling Rates

Refuse and Recycling Rates: There are three separate contracted services to provide curbside residential refuse and recycling services: 1) Curbside collection provided by Republic Services, 2) Processing of recyclables at the Eureka Recycling processing facility, 3) Disposal of refuse at the tipping facility in Newport, co-operated by Ramsey-Washington counties. The cost of these services are passed on directly to residents through their quarterly utility bill.

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<td>30 Gallon (Senior)</td>
<td>$36.18 per quarter</td>
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<td>$36.81 per quarter</td>
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<td>60 Gallon</td>
<td>$52.83 per quarter</td>
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<td>90 Gallon</td>
<td>$71.28 per quarter</td>
<td>$73.35 per quarter</td>
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Recycle Processing Fee: The City contract with Eureka Recycling includes a revenue sharing formula, which means the City receives all revenues from the sale of the recyclables less the cost of processing the materials. For many years, the City benefitted from revenue sharing, as the sale of materials had exceeded the cost of processing. These revenues would help offset the cost of refuse service. However, recycling markets significantly weakened in 2019 and sale revenues no longer cover the cost to process the materials. Therefore, a minimal recycling processing fee is needed to fund the gap. The quarterly fee, which increased from $2.25 in 2020 to $3.00 in 2021, is fully dependent upon the recycling markets and will be reduced as markets rebound.

Surface Water Management Fee

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency administers the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit program, which works to reduce the amount of sediment and pollution that enters surface and ground water from storm sewer systems. Stormwater discharges associated with MS4s are subject to regulation under the Federal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program. The City has a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPP) to meet these MS4 permit requirements. The Surface Water Management Infrastructure fee of $5.00 per quarter supports related program activities.