

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA WATER DEPARTMENT PROPOSED GENERAL FIRE SERVICES RATES

308.0 FIRE SERVICE CONNECTIONS

Fire service connection charges shall consist of a monthly service charge and a quantity charge.

308.1 Charges

- (a) Monthly Service Charges
- (1) The monthly service charges for the furnishing of water for the purpose of fire protection for the one year period from February 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005 shall be as follows:

Connection Size	Monthly Service Charge
Up through 4-inch	\$19.56
6-inch	35.46
8-inch	52.35
10-inch	77.54
12-inch	115.65

(2) Effective July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, the service charges in Sub-section 308.1(a)(1) of these Regulations shall be increased to the following levels:

Connection Size	Monthly Service Charge
Up through 4-inch 6-inch 8-inch 10-inch 12-inch	\$19.55 35.51 52.37 77.63 115.65

(3) Effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, the service charges in Sub-section 308.1(a) (2) of these Regulations shall be increased to the following levels:

Connection Size Monthly Service Charge

Up through 4-inch	\$22.01
6-inch	39.88
8-inch	58.91
10-inch	87.24

12-inch 130.11

(4) Effective July 1, 2007, and thereafter, the service charges in Sub-section 308.1(a) (3) shall be increased to the following levels:

Connection Size Monthly Service Charge

Up through 4-inch	\$22.92
6-inch	41.63
8-inch	61.60
10-inch	91.20
12-inch	136.91

- (b) The City may permit fire service connections to its water system outside the City of Philadelphia only in properties contiguous to the City where in the opinion of the Water Commissioner water service for fire protection may be furnished without interference with water service to properties within the City.
- (c) Pipe connections to the Philadelphia water system, meters and other service requirements shall be in accordance with the standard fire service requirements of the Philadelphia Water Department.
- (d) No charge shall be made for water used through fire service connections in actually fighting fires. However, water and, if applicable, sewer service, used through fire service connection for testing the fire protection system, fire drills or similar fire protection purposes shall be charged at the rate(s) for quantity charges to general customers as shown below. Water used through fire service connections for other purposes shall be charged at the current rates applicable to water used by general customers.

(e) Quantity Charges

(1) Effective February 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005:

Monthly Water Usage	Charge per Mcf
First 2 Mcf (0 to 2 Mcf) Next 98 Mcf (2.1 to 100.0 Mcf) Next 1,900 Mcf (100.1 to 2,000 Mcf) Over 2,000 Mcf	\$20.46 16.22 14.43 10.78
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(Mcf = 1,000 cubic feet)

(2) Effective July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006:

Monthly Water Usage	Charge per Mcf
First 2 Mcf (0 to 2 Mcf)	\$20.99
Next 98 Mcf (2.1 to 100.0 Mcf)	16.64
Next 1,900 Mcf (100.1 to 2,000 Mcf)	14.81
Over 2,000 Mcf	11.06

(3) Effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007:

Monthly Water Usage	Charge per Mcf
First 2 Mcf (0 to 2 Mcf)	\$22.99
Next 98 Mcf (2.1 to 100.0 Mcf)	18.22
Next 1,900 Mcf (100.1 to 2,000 Mcf)	16.22
Over 2,000 Mcf	12.12

(4) Effective as of July 1, 2007, and thereafter:

Monthly Water Usage	Charge per Mcf
First 2 Mcf (0 to 2 Mcf)	\$25.25
Next 98 Mcf (2.1 to 100.0 Mcf)	20.01
Next 1,900 Mcf (100.1 to 2,000 Mcf)	17.81
Over 2,000 Mcf	13.31

(f) The City shall bill the fire connection charges on a monthly basis, and it may bill for water used through fire service connections on the same basis as bills rendered general customers. Bills for the connection charges and water used shall be subject to the same penalties as bills rendered general customers.

(g) Billing of Advance Service Charge

A one (1) time three (3) month advance service charge will be assessed and collected on every property when the property is initially connected to the water and/or sewer system. Thereafter, the three (3) month advance service charge will be maintained by the payment of monthly service charges as required under Sub-section 308.1(a) of these Regulations. The remaining pro rata portion of the three (3) month advance service charge will be refunded to the property owner when he/she permanently disconnects service from the water and sewer system.

- (h) This regulation applies to all fire service connections.
- (i) This regulation will become effective February 1, 2005.

Bernard Brunwasser /s/

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