

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER  
OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON**

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Lexington are responsible for the efficient management and operation of Water and Wastewater Departments; and,

WHEREAS, to comply with Tennessee Code Annotated and provide for a financially viable water and sewer system,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON, TENNESSEE THAT:

**SECTION 1:** This ordinance will replace in entirety the current rates and fee schedules for water and wastewater services.

**SECTION 2:** The following rates and fees shall be adopted for use by Lexington Water Systems:

**WATER RATES** -----

**INSIDE CITY LIMITS - Customer Charge 0-2,000 gallons**

	<u>Meter Charge</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>Maint Fee</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>Tech Fee</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>2,000 gallons</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>@ cons. Rate</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>Customer</u>
											<u>Charge</u>
3/4"	\$11.91	+	\$1.60	+	\$2.00	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$28.51
1"	\$15.13	+	\$1.60	+	\$2.54	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$32.27
1.5"	\$19.53	+	\$1.60	+	\$3.28	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$37.41
2"	\$31.44	+	\$1.60	+	\$5.28	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$51.32
3"	\$119.10	+	\$1.60	+	\$20.00	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$153.70
4"	\$151.61	+	\$1.60	+	\$25.46	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$191.67
6"	\$227.36	+	\$1.60	+	\$38.18	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$280.14

Consumption Rate Over 2,000 gallons = \$6.50 Per 1,000 gallons

**OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS - Customer Charge 0-2,000 gallons**

	<u>Meter Charge</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>Maint Fee</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>Tech Fee</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>2,000 gallons</u>	<u>+</u>	<u>@ cons. Rate</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>Customer</u>
											<u>Charge</u>
3/4"	\$20.57	+	\$1.60	+	\$2.00	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$37.17
1"	\$26.12	+	\$1.60	+	\$2.54	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$43.26
1.5"	\$33.73	+	\$1.60	+	\$3.28	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$51.61
2"	\$54.30	+	\$1.60	+	\$5.28	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$74.18
3"	\$205.70	+	\$1.60	+	\$20.00	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$240.30
4"	\$261.86	+	\$1.60	+	\$25.46	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$301.92
6"	\$392.68	+	\$1.60	+	\$38.18	+	\$13.00	+		=	\$445.46

Consumption Rate Over 2,000 gallons = \$6.50 Per 1,000 gallons

**BULK WATER - Consumption Rate = \$6.50 Per 1,000 gallons**

**SEWER RATES** -----

**LEXINGTON**  
Customer Charge 0-2,000 gallons

3/4"	\$27.58
1"	\$35.03
1.5"	\$45.23
2"	\$72.81
3"	\$275.80
4"	\$351.09
6"	\$526.50

**PARKERS CROSSROADS**  
Customer Charge 0-2,000 gallons

3/4"	\$57.92
1"	\$73.56
1.5"	\$94.99
2"	\$152.91
3"	\$579.20
4"	\$737.32
6"	\$1,105.69

Usage Rate Over 2,000 gallons = \$7.00 Per 1,000 gallons

**SEWER CUSTOMERS WITH WELLS (based on 5,000 gallons)**

**LEXINGTON**  
Customer Charge  
\$48.58 Flat Rate

**PARKERS CROSSROADS**  
Customer Charge  
\$78.92 Flat Rate

**WATER FEE SCHEDULE -----**

Turn-On Service	\$25.00
Turn-Off Service	\$25.00
Reconnect (non-payment)	\$50.00 + \$25.00 (if after hours)
Lock Charge	\$40.00
Meter Relocation	\$200.00
Returned Check Fee	\$30.00
Deposit-Residential Owner	\$50.00
Deposit-Residential Renter	\$100.00
Deposit-Commercial (Owner or Renter)	Equivalent to twice the highest bill at the location (Please call our office for this amount.) If a new building is built for a business, then an estimate will be made of the type of business based on like businesses.
Deposit-Industrial	Irrevocable line of credit in the amount of twice the highest estimated bill for a new industry for 5 years until we have a credit history.

**Bulk Water Fire Hydrant Meter Rental**

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Meter Deposit</u>
3/4"	\$300.00
1"	\$600.00
2"	\$1,000.00

\*A non-refundable \$150.00 set/pull fee will accompany each meter rental.

**Tap Fees**

<u>Connection Size</u>	<u>Tap Fee</u>	<u>Boring Fee (\$/ft)</u>
3/4"	\$800.00	\$5.00
1"	\$1,400.00	\$6.10
>1"	Billed at cost (labor, materials, and overhead)	

**Fire Protection Monthly Fees**

Private Fire Suppression Connection	\$0.50 per sq. inch of service connection
Fire Hydrant Charge City of Lexington	\$4.45 per hydrant
Packers Crossroads	\$7.90 per hydrant
Henderson County	\$7.90 per hydrant

**WASTEWATER FEE SCHEDULE -----**

Service Call - \$50.00 + \$25.00 (if after hours)

**Tap Fees**

<u>Connection Size</u>	<u>Tap Fee</u>	
	<u>No Pavement Cut Required</u>	<u>Pavement Cut Required</u>
4"	\$1,000.00	\$1,600.00
6"	\$1,200.00	\$1,800.00
8"	Billed at cost (labor, materials, and overhead)	

**Septic Dump Fees**

Yearly permit fee	\$100.00
Truck permit fee	\$25.00
Dump fee per load	\$105.00
Food byproduct	\$350.00 monthly + \$0.0175 per gallon of waste discharged

SECTION 3: The above rates and fees shall go into effect with all bills and charges issued as of March 1, 2024 and thereafter.

SECTION 4: Automatic Adjustment of Rates to Reflect Cost of Living. The Water Rates for Meter Charge, Maintenance Fee, Technology Fee, and Consumption Rate; and, the Sewer Rates for Customer Charge, Usage Rate, and Flat Rate shall be adjusted on an annual basis in an amount equal to the percentage increase change in the COLA (Social Security Cost-Of-Living Adjustment) for the prior calendar year. Said annual adjustment shall be effective with the bills issued in July each year. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen may reject the automatic adjustment by passage of a resolution for a specific fiscal year prior to the beginning of that year.

SECTION 5: Maintenance Fee. The Maintenance Fee shall be designated for the maintenance, operation and replacement of water storage facilities and hydrants.

SECTION 6: Technology Fee. The Technology Fee shall be designated for the maintenance, operation and replacement of smart meters, SCADA, and other system monitoring equipment.

SECTION 7: Other Fees. Other Fees shall be adjusted only on an "as needed basis" as part of the annual budget, and with any increase being approved by ordinance of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Other Fees include Tap Fees, Fire Protection Fees, Septic Dump Fees, and other miscellaneous fees as listed on the above Fee Schedule.