

Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority

***RATE SCHEDULE***

Effective January 1, 2025

***WATER SERVICE***

*SECTION A-FIXED SERVICE CHARGE*

*(1) The fixed service charges for all classes of users shall be based on their service meter size at the following rates:*

<u><i>Meter Size</i></u>	<u><i>Service Charge Per Quarter</i></u>
5/8" meter	\$57.00
¾" meter	\$88.00
1" meter	\$150.00
1 ½" meter	\$304.00
2" meter	\$490.00
3" meter	\$922.00
4" meter	\$1,540.00
6" meter	\$3,085.00

*Customers with multiple meters shall be charged for each meter at the above indicated rate.*

*SECTION B-CONSUMPTION CHARGE*

*(1) In addition to the fixed service charge set forth above the following rate shall be applicable to water furnished in any quarter:*

Usage will be billed on a per quarter basis based on the below tiered schedule:

- \$3.76 per 1,000 gallons for first 10,000 gallons
- \$4.25 per 1,000 gallons for 10,001-50,000 gallons
- \$4.75 per 1,000 gallons for 50,001 and above

SECTION C-PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

(1) *Annual stand-by water charges for sprinkler system.*

<u>Connection Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
4" (or smaller)	\$ 195.63
6"	\$312.50
8"	\$482.50
10"	\$695.00

(2) *No charge shall be made for water used in the extinguishing of accidental fires, and water for any other purpose shall be drawn from a private fire connection.*

3) *Fire protection shall be provided by separate connections to the Authority's mains, for which the connection fee set forth in Section H hereof shall not be applicable.*

SECTION D-PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

(1) *No charge shall be made for water used in the extinguishing of accidental fire.*

SECTION E-MISCELLANEOUS

(1) *The Authority reserves the right to install temporary meters during construction of any residential or commercial structure. Fees for installation of temporary meters shall be promulgated by the Authority and will be available upon request.*

(2) *The use of water for building purposes, irrigation of other construction, shall be metered at a hydrant to be determined by the Authority. The user shall pay a \$100.00 flat fee and a \$1,500.00 deposit for the meter at the time of application to the Authority. The charge for water usage will thereafter be made on the basis of Section B hereof. An additional \$60 flat fee will be accessed on the 30th day and every 30 days from that point. The application for such water services shall be made by the owner of the property on which said water is to be used. The Authority shall have its statutory lien on such property for the collection of said charges.*

(3) Other:

A-The Cost to Replace an Existing Account's Meter:

5/8" Meter:	\$200
3/4" Meter:	\$230.00
1" Meter:	\$305.00
1 1/2" Meter (Residential):	\$660.00
1 1/2" Meter (Compound):	\$1,815.00
2" Meter (Residential):	\$1,375.00
2" Meter (Compound):	\$2,035.00
AMI Smart Point Radio Unit:	\$190.00
Touchpad	\$20.00

B-Miscellaneous Fees:

BTMUA Rules and Regulations: \$75.00 for bound copy

Returned Check Fee: \$20.00

Title Searches Billed at \$1.00 Each or a Flat Monthly Fee of \$30.00

Open Public Records Fee: .05/.07 per Letter/Legal Page

Overtime Rate: \$125.00 per Hour (Min 2 Hrs)

New/Reconnection Inspection Fees: First Free, Each Additional: \$ 60.00

Wet Tap Inspection Fee: \$60.00

Seasonal Turn On/Off: Free 1 x Annually, Each Additional: \$60.00

Demolition of House/Disconnection Fee: First Scheduled Appt.: \$60.00,  
Each Additional: \$60.00

After Hours Labor/Appointments: Current Overtime Rate (Min 2 Hrs)

Meter Replacement Due to Downsize/Upgrade-See Replacement Costs

Damage to BTMUA Equipment: Billed at Replacement Costs + OT if Required

Hydrant Damage: Billed at actual cost including equipment, labor and per hour per vehicle cost

House Closing Fee/Final Read Fee: For the meter read and the supplying of a written statement a \$60.00 fee shall be added to the final bill.

Unspecified Charges Any charges not heretofore noted will be charged as follows: Labor - Raw Salary x 2.35 Minimum Labor Cost + 10% Parts/Equipment - Cost + 20%

Equipment & Labor Charges: The Authority will utilize the hourly Schedule of Equipment Rates as prepared and supplied by FEMA. Labor costs of equipment operators are not included in the hourly equipment rate. Hourly labor costs are based on the composite (average) pay rate and benefit overhead for each respective position. Both the equipment and labor rate schedule are updated periodically and can be obtained by request from the Authority.

C-Late Charges:

- 1) As per NJ Statute 40:14B-41 a 1.5% monthly interest charge will be assessed to all delinquent balances

(4) *In the event that any water meter shall become damaged or otherwise inoperable during any billing period, the bill for that billing period shall be based on an estimated use of water computed with reference to prior seasonal water usage.*

SECTION F-PAYMENT

(1) *All fixed service charges and consumption charges are payable quarterly. Stand-by charges shall be billed quarterly in advance. No partial payment of any bill will be accepted by the Authority.*

SECTION G-CONNECTION FEES AND CHARGES

(1) *The initial fee for the right to connect directly or indirectly to the Authority's water system shall include a connection charge or fee and a meter fee, as well as, fees for review and inspection of work to be accomplished by the applicant in keeping with the requirements of the Authority's Rules and Regulations. These connection fees, which are onetime initial service charges for the right to connect to the Authority's water system.*

(2) *Schedule of connection fees for all classes of users shall be based upon the service meter size at the following rates:*

	<u>METER SIZE</u>	<u>CONNECTION FEE</u>
:	5/8"	\$ 6,000
	3/4"	\$ 6,675
	1"	\$ 8,225
	1-1/2"	\$ 11,150
	2"	\$ 14,750

(a) *For all connection sizes other than the above, rates may be obtained by application to the Authority.*

(b) *Where water lines are installed by the developers, and the developer provides the meter installed in the house to the Authority, there shall be deducted from the above connection fee the amount equivalent to the cost of said meter which shall be demonstrated to the Authority by certified voucher for said meter.*

- (3) *The connection fee for a pre-existing home is payable in full or in a five-year installment plan with the initial installment paid at the time of the connection. A flat \$20.00 service fee will be added to the subsequent payments due annually for four years thereafter.*
- (4) *Connection fee(s) for a new home or real estate development shall be payable in full at the time of final approval. For any development of more than 10 units, the connection fees for the first 10 units shall be payable at the time of final approval with the balance of connection fees payable in groups of 10 units at a time in advance of the actual connections.*
- (5) *Affordable housing: An affordable housing dwelling will receive a 50% discount to the connection fee based on the meter size.*
- (6) *Disconnection of service due to demolition or remodeling: Upon a customer's written request, an account may be disconnected from the Authority' system due to demolition or remodeling. Physical disconnection to the water service must be made at the curb connection by the owner. This work will be inspected by an Authority Representative to ensure compliance and completeness. Quarterly Service Fees will terminate when the service is inspected and confirmed as disconnected. Upon reconnection and reactivation of the account, current connection fee charges will apply. The charges will be based on the difference between the rate at the time of original connection (or original deposit for vacant land) and the applicable rate at the time of reconnection. If the original connection fee is not part of the customer record, the base connection fee will be assumed according to the base \$1,100 schedule of connection fees.*

SECTION H-FILING REVIEW AND INSPECTION FEES

- (1) *Where mains are to be constructed by anyone other than the Authority, the applicant shall make application and pay fees listed below:*
  - A. *Application for Review of Preliminary Plans:*
    - Base Fee (Minor Subs, etc.)-----*
    - Major Subdivision or Major Site Plan-----\$50.00 per unit (900.00 minimum)*
  - B. *Application for Tentative Approval*
    - Review Fee -----3% of estimated construction cost*
    - ( \$900.00 minimum)*
  - C. *Application for Final Approval*
    - Review Fee -----2 ½% of estimated construction cost*
    - ( \$900.00 minimum)*
- Inspection Fee -----5% of estimated construction cost*
- ( \$1,000.00 Minimum)/Charged at an hourly fee.*

*D. Assimilation of record drawings into overall GIS-----2% of estimated construction cost (\$500.00 minimum)*

*E. Attorneys Fees and Expenses-----\$3,000.00  
The Applicant shall be responsible for all attorney fees and expenses incurred by the Authority. In the event that attorney fees and expenses exceed the initial escrow the Applicant shall, before final approval, pay to the Authority any and all amounts necessary to pay said fees and expenses.*

*F. Accountants Fees and Expenses  
The Applicant shall be responsible for all accountant fees and expenses if applicable, billed at current contractual hourly rate.*

*Applications for extensions of approval with no changes must be accompanied by a review fee of \$800.00. Application for revisions after submittal and initial review must be accompanied by a minimum review fee of \$750.00 or 50% of the original application fee, whichever is greater.*