



ABINGTON/ROCKLAND JOINT WATER WORKS
FEE SCHEDULE AND RULES FOR SERVICE

Effective 4/16/2025

INSTALLATION:

1. For all existing and proposed water installations the following rules shall apply:
 - A. Property owner or agent shall prepare and submit all forms and permit applications for new service.
 - B. Property owner or agent must meet with the Water Superintendent and/or the Water Commissioners to obtain authorization to utilize the municipal system.
 - C. Property owner or agent must provide the Water Commissioners or their designee with a performance guarantee, which will be released after the project is complete and accepted by the Town and Water Commissioners.
 - D. The amount of the performance guarantee shall be determined by the Water Superintendent.
 - E. Upon request, property owner shall grant access for a representative of Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works to enter the property and premise for the purpose of inspecting or replacing the water meter.

APPROVAL:

1. ***Water approval will be granted for shovel-ready projects.***
2. ***Water allocation is approved for a 12 month basis per project.***

CHARGES:

All charges paid will require verification by the Water Department that the funds are secured prior to proceeding with the applied intended use for which the charge was rendered. All fees must be paid in full prior to beginning any work related to water. Fees include (but are not limited to): water mitigation fees, tap fees, sprinkler fees, and multiunit fees etc.

1. The Water Main Tapping Charges and the Fire Sprinkler Development Charges will be assessed and paid in full **prior** to scheduling any work or system tie in.
2. The Domestic Water Service Charges & Mitigation Fees will be assessed and paid in full **before** the project begins.
3. Cost of Service installation will be charged to applicant separate from the Domestic Water Service Charge.
4. Water main activation fees must be paid in full prior to all appointments. Any additional fees incurred will be assessed and must be paid in full prior to the water main activation (final step).

WATER MAIN TAPPING CHARGES:

In order to Tap into the municipal water system and install additional water main, a Water Main Tapping Charge must be paid.

3 inch	\$ 50,000.00
4 inch	\$ 60,000.00
6 inch	\$ 70,000.00
8 inch	\$ 80,000.00
10 inch	\$ 90,000.00
12 inch	\$100,000.00
16 inch	\$120,000.00

DOMESTIC WATER SERVICE CHARGES:

<u>Service Size</u>	
1-inch	\$ 3,500.00
1-1/2 inch	\$ 5,500.00
2-inch	\$ 9,500.00
3-inch	\$ 15,500.00
4-inch	\$ 21,500.00
6-inch	\$ 33,500.00
8-inch	\$ 45,500.00
Newly constructed or Restructured Multiple Unit Fees	<u>Each Unit</u> <u>\$3,500</u>

WATER BALANCE PROGRAM – MITIGATION FEE:

All applicants subject to the Water Balance Program intending to connect to the municipal water system or expand the use of an existing service shall pay a Water Balance Mitigation Fee of \$10/gpd for projects < 10,000 gpd or \$20/gpd for projects ≥10,000 gpd based on using Title 5 Sewer Flow Estimates (per 314 CMR 7.15)

NEW METER CHARGE:

5/8" meter	\$ 500.00
5/8" x 3/4" meter	\$ 500.00

An additional fee of \$250.00 will be charged if department is required to return to the location due to it not being properly prepared for the scheduled meter installation.

METER TESTING: \$ 50.00

DAMAGED METER CHARGES:

Any meter frozen, tampered with, and/or removed will be noted. A second offence will be assessed the following charges.

REPAIR / REPLACEMENT OF FROZEN OR DAMAGED METER \$250.00 Plus Usage/Repair/Materials

REPAIR TAMPERED METER \$500.00 Plus Usage/Repair/Materials

METER REMOVAL \$150.00 Each Removal

These charges do not include plumbing or overtime charges. Overtime rates are 1 ½ times the normal rate – 4 hour minimum.

FIRE SPRINKLER DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:

\$1.00 Per Sq. Ft. or any portion thereof Per Building

ANNUAL STANDBY SPRINKLER CHARGE:

\$100.00 Per Inch or any portion thereof Per Building

INSPECTION CHARGES:

Water Service Installation	\$ no charge initial inspection
	\$ 50.00 additional inspections

WATER MAIN ACTIVATION: (updated 9/14/23)

Initial 2hr pressure test observation (min 150 psi for domestic & 200psi for sprinkler), witness of chlorination, water main flush & witness of dechlorination, and observation of bacteria sample collection. \$500.00

Additional observation or acts \$100.00/hr

Chlorine for disinfection must be provided during construction. The Department will not chlorinate or dechlorinate mains during the pressure test.

FIRE FLOW TEST:

Fire Flow Test	\$ 500.00
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CROSS CONNECTION PROGRAM:

Cross Connection Surveys:	
System requiring up to two devices	\$ 125.00
Each additional device	\$ 100.00

Cross Connection Device Testing:	
Each device tested	\$ 100.00

FINES:

Only the Water Department Employees will turn on water. Any main or service activated by other than Department Personnel is subject to a \$ 300.00 fine per incident.