

Tips to Lower Your Water Bill

Using water efficiently not only helps extend our water supplies for tomorrow but can help lower your water bill today.

- Turn off your sprinklers and use water sparingly this winter to reduce monthly sewer charges year round.
- Use this time to make landscape changes by removing some unused turf areas and replacing them with mulched landscape beds with native perennials and grasses that add beauty and variety while using much less water and fertilizer.
- Go to www.txsmartscape.com for suggested plants for our area, care and maintenance tips, and other resources to help save water outdoors.
- Fix leaking faucets and toilets that can account for up to 10% of total indoor water use.
- Replace your showerhead with a high-efficiency showerhead that uses 2.0 gallons per minute or less. Remember, anytime you use less hot water you are saving money on water and energy.

Important Information:

- A 5% past due fee is added to water and sewer bills when the bill is not paid by the due date. The 5% is calculated on the current month's water and sewer charges.
- All commercial and apartment irrigation systems must be equipped with rain and freeze sensors. All residential irrigation sprinkler systems installed on or after January 1, 2007 must be equipped with rain and freeze sensors. It is a good idea for all homes with irrigation systems to install rain and freeze sensors.

For a complete list of fees and payment options, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact us:

Web: www.ArlingtonTX.gov/water

Email: water@ArlingtonTX.gov

Phone: 817-275-5931

For after hours water or sewer emergencies, call 817-459-5900.

Si necesita usted hablar con un representante en Español, por favor llame al 817-275-5931.

Effective January 1, 2014



UTILITIES RATES UPDATE

This year's rate increases for water and wastewater services are set to go into effect on January 1, 2014. The typical residential customer's monthly water and wastewater bill will increase by \$4.90 per month.

Why is a rate increase necessary?

The primary drivers for this year's water and wastewater increases are from raw water purchase and wastewater treatment costs. Tarrant Regional Water District, raw water supplier for Arlington, Fort Worth and Mansfield, is constructing a major water supply project to bring additional water into Tarrant County for future needs. The wastewater increase is associated with the Trinity River Authority's facilities and pipeline rehabilitation projects. These are impacting the entire region, and will result in additional rate increases over the next several years. Arlington Water Utilities will continue to work diligently to reduce controllable costs and gain efficiencies in an effort to mitigate customer rate impacts.

E-bill and E-pay: Review and pay your bill online. Visit our website: <https://waterbilling.ArlingtonTX.gov>



Scan this QR code with your smart phone to go directly to this website.

Information on water rates effective January 1, 2014, is available in Tables 1-6 below. Table 7 is an example bill calculation.

WATER CONSERVATION RATES: Use Water Wisely!

TABLE 1 Water rates per 1,000 gallons for all residential, duplex, residential builder and individual mobile home account classifications.

Residential Block Structure

Usage (1,000 gal)	Rate
0 - 2	\$1.60
3 - 10	\$2.28
11 - 15	\$3.36
16 - 29	\$3.88
≥ 30	\$4.64

TABLE 2 Water rates for all commercial, apartment, institutional and high volume meter account classifications.

Commercial Block Structure

Usage (1,000 gal)	Rate
0 - 15	\$2.23
≥ 16	\$2.57

TABLE 3 The per 1,000 gallon charge for all meters used for sprinkler accounts, regardless of account classification.

Irrigation Block Structure

Usage (1,000 gal)	Rate
0 - 29	\$3.88
≥ 30	\$4.64

TABLE 4 Water rates for all construction meter account classifications.

Construction Block Structure

Usage (1,000 gal)	Rate
0 - 99	\$5.52
≥ 100	\$6.96

SEWER RATES

TABLE 5 All Classifications Block Structure

Usage (1,000 gal)	Rate
All Usage	\$3.66

FY 2014 FIXED MONTHLY FEES TABLE 6

Meter Size	Water	Sewer
3/4" (≤ 2,000 gal) Residential only	\$5.40	\$4.40
3/4" (> 2,000 gal) Residential and all other customer classes	\$8.80	\$8.30
1"	\$15.00	\$14.50
1-1/2"	\$34.30	\$33.00
2"	\$60.00	\$56.60
3"	\$141.00	\$96.20
4"	\$225.00	\$163.00
6"	\$524.00	\$383.00
8"	\$820.00	\$584.00
10"	\$1,232.00	\$873.00

EXAMPLE

TABLE 7

The following **example** billing calculation is for a residential customer with a 3/4" meter using 10,000 gallons of water on a domestic meter (*serving the inside of the home*) and 6,000 gallons of sewer. This is an increase of \$4.90 or 8.8% per month:

W C H A T E R G E	Fixed fee	\$ 8.80
	First 2,000 gallons (2 x \$1.60)	\$ 3.20
	Next 8,000 gallons (8 x \$2.28)	<u>\$18.24</u>
TOTAL water		\$30.24
S C H E R G E	Fixed fee	\$ 8.30
	6,000 gallons (6 x \$3.66)	<u>\$21.96</u>
	TOTAL sewer	\$30.26
TOTAL Water and Sewer Charge		\$60.50

For any classification of customer with a sprinkler system tied into their domestic account (i.e., the meter is not being used as a sprinkler meter exclusively), the billings will be calculated using the residential or commercial block rates and not the irrigation block rates.

**Save Water,
NOTHING can replace it.**

www.savearlingtonwater.com