

HOW TO FIGURE A WATER AND SEWER BILL

Water and sewer bills are based in part on capital charges and in part on water consumption. Water meters are read quarterly. Water and sewer bills are comprised of three charges:

WA Water portion of the bill. Currently the rate is \$3.75 per thousand gallons of water consumed. **In addition to this charge, there is a minimum charge of \$55.57 per quarter, listed on the bill as Water Capital.** It pays principal and interest on outstanding water serial bonds. This portion is billed in advance.

SE Operation and maintenance of the sewer. This portion of the bill is also based on water consumption. It is computed by taking the water consumption bill and multiplying by 22%. **In addition to this charge, there is a capital charge based on the amount the village is obligated to pay for the principal and interest on its outstanding sewer serial bonds.** The Board of Trustees on an annual basis establishes the sewer capital charge and the charge is in accordance with the classification of units set forth in section 41-56 of the Village of Walton code. Currently the charge is **\$14.04 per sewer unit.** This portion is also billed in advance. For the January bill, the sewer capital charge covers January, February, and March. (The WA and SE are based on actual consumption during the three months prior to the billing.)

PENALTY: Thirty (30) days after the **rendering of a bill**, a 10% penalty is levied to all unpaid accounts. 60 days after the rendering of a bill, an additional 15% penalty is added to all unpaid water amounts. **On bills that have not been paid within sixty days following the rendering of the bill, the village, upon written notification, may discontinue water service to the customer. An additional \$25.00 penalty is assessed on all accounts not paid within 10 days following notification of shutoff.**

Typical examples:

Water rate per thousand gallons per quarter	\$ 3.75
Single person-average usage 5,000 gallons per quarter	
Water Capital Charge	\$ 55.57
Water Consumption: 5,000 gallons (5 x \$3.75)	18.75
Sewer Capital Charge: 1 Unit	\$ 14.04
Sewer Operation and Maintenance Charge 22% of Water	\$ 4.13
TOTAL	\$92.49

Couple - average usage 10,000 gallons per quarter	
Water Capital Charge	\$ 55.57
Water Consumption - 10,000 gallons	\$ 37.50
Sewer Capital Charge: 1 Unit	\$ 14.04
Sewer Operation and Maintenance Charge 22% of Water	\$ 8.25
TOTAL	\$ 115.36

Family of four - Average usage 20,000 gallons per quarter	
Water Capital Charge	\$ 55.57
Water Consumption: 20,000 gallons	\$ 75.00
Sewer Capital Charge: 1 Unit	\$ 14.04
Sewer Operation and Maintenance Cost 22% of Water	\$ 16.50
TOTAL	\$161.11
