

[Legal Notice No. 56]

SOLOMON ISLANDS WATER AUTHORITY ACT
(Cap. 130)

INCREASE OF SERVICE CHARGES AND OTHER FEES

The Solomon Islands Water Authority, under regulation 3(3) of the *Solomon Islands Water Authority (Finance) Regulations* (Cap. 130), makes available for its customers the following information about the charges and fees specified in the table it is imposing for the services and other matters specified in column 2, effective on and from the following dates:

Charges and fees effective from 1 September 2023 are set out in column 4

Charges and fees effective from 1 January 2024 are set out in column 5

Charges and fees effective from 1 January 2025 are set out in column 6

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Consumer category	Service	Current Charge	Charge Effective 1 Sep 2023	Charge Effective 1 Jan 2024	Charge Effective 1 Jan 2025
Domestic	Water unmetered basic monthly charge (base 40kL)	\$465.00	\$485.00	\$530.00	\$566.00
	Water and waste water unmetered basic monthly charge (base 40kL)	\$695.00	\$724.00	\$790.00	\$843.00
	Monthly service standing charge	\$59.17	\$61.83	\$67.70	\$72.43
	Monthly service charge per kL (Cash Water)	\$2.57	\$2.68	\$2.93	\$3.13
	Service installation fee	\$1,370.00	\$1,431.00	\$1,566.00	\$1,675.00
	Service disconnection fee	\$104.00	\$108.00	\$118.00	\$126.00
	Service reconnection fee	\$104.00	\$108.00	\$118.00	\$126.00
	Service connection deposit	\$1,120.00	\$1,170.00	\$1,281.00	\$1,370.00
	Survey fee	\$140.00	\$146.00	\$159.00	\$170.00
	Standard waste water installation fee	\$8,590.00	\$8,976.00	\$9,828.00	\$10,515.00
	Waste water connection with new manhole required	\$12,500.00	\$13,062.00	\$14,302.00	\$15,303.00
	Water meter testing fee	\$253.00	\$264.00	\$289.00	\$309.00
	Plumbing and investigation fee	\$244.00	\$254.00	\$278.00	\$297.00
	Interest on overdue accounts charged per month	12% pa	12% pa	12% pa	12%pa
	Dishonoured cheque fees	2 x bank charges	2 x bank charges	2 x bank charges	2 x bank charges
	Service amplified fee	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment

	Water and sewer service extension and relocation	Based on detailed assessment			
Commercial	Water unmetered basic monthly charge (base 46kL)	\$1,597.00	\$1,668.00	\$1,824.00	\$1,951.0
	Water and waste water unmetered basic monthly charge (base 46kL)	\$2,391.00	\$2,497.00	\$2,731.00	\$2,920.00
	Monthly service standing charge	\$76.02	\$79.44	\$86.98	\$93.06
	Service installation fee	\$2,120.00	\$2,215.40	\$2,425.86	\$2,595.67
	Service disconnection fee	\$208.00	\$217.00	\$237.00	\$253.00
	Service reconnection fee	\$208.00	\$217.00	\$237.00	\$253.00
	Service connection deposit	\$4,710.00	\$4,921.00	\$5,388.00	\$5,765.00
	Survey fee	\$208.00	\$217.00	\$237.00	\$253.00
	Waste water installation/new connection fee (may include new manhole)	Based on detailed assessment			
	Water meter testing fee	Based on detailed assessment			
	Plumbing and investigation fee	Based on detailed assessment			
	Interest on overdue accounts charged per month	12% pa	12% pa	12% pa	12% pa
	Dishonoured cheque fees	2 x bank charges			
	Service amplified fee	Based on detailed assessment			
	Water and sewer service extension and relocation	Based on detailed assessment			

This category applies to a property used exclusively for residential living purposes by a single family or for shared living up to a maximum of 8 bedrooms. Fees are based on total monthly consumption.

CONSUMER CATEGORY COMMERCIAL

This category applies to any consumer other than a Domestic consumer, including any of the following:

- (a) government agencies;
- (b) regional organisations;
- (c) health facilities, including hospitals and clinics;
- (d) educational or training institutions;
- (e) businesses;

- (f) religious organisations and churches;
- (g) non-governmental organisations;
- (h) any property used wholly or partly to run a business or generate revenue through trade;
- (i) any commercial property that incorporate a small residential dwelling (for example, dwelling above shop);
- (j) any apartment block or other residential housing complex where a single water supply is provided for entire property; and
- (k) metered standpipe or commercial water tanker operators.

OTHER

Cash water monthly charge per kL is based on average monthly consumption of 23 kL

Domestic and Commercial water charges include a catchment levy as follows:

Catchment levy from I July 2023 is 40 c/kL

Catchment levy from I January 2024 is 40 c/kL

Catchment levy from I January 2025 is 40 c/kL

Date this thirty-first day August 2023.

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CHAIRPERSON OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SOLOMON ISLANDS WATER AUTHORITY
