

SOLOMON ISLANDS WATER AUTHORITY ACT

(Cap. 130)

**SOLOMON ISLANDS WATER AUTHORITY (FINANCE)
REGULATIONS**

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 information that:

- (a) the charges and fees specified in column 4 of the table are the charges and fees imposed for the services and other matters specified in column 2 on and from 1 January 2022; and
- (b) the charges and fees specified in column 5 of the table are the charges and fees imposed for the services and other matters specified in column 2 on and from 1 January 2023; and
- (c) the charges and fees specified in column 6 of the table are the charges and fees imposed for the services and other matters specified in column 2 on and from 1 January 2024.

TABLE

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Consumer category	Service/other matter	Current Charge/fee	charge/fee on and from 1.01.2022	Charge/fee on and from 1.01.2023	Charge/fee on and from 1.01.2024
Domestic	Water unmetered basic monthly charge (base 40kl)	\$409.46	\$446.00	\$468.00	\$486.00
	Water and wastewater unmetered basic monthly charge (base 40kl)	\$608.35	\$663.00	\$696.00	\$723.00
	Monthly service standing charge	\$51.71	\$56.36	\$59.17	\$61.53
	Monthly service charge per kl (cash water)	\$2.25	\$2.45	\$2.57	\$2.67
	Service installation fee	\$1,328.60	\$1,350.00	\$1,370.00	\$1,400.00
	Service disconnection fee	\$100.00	\$102.0	\$104.00	\$106.00
	Service reconnection fee	\$100.00	\$102.00	\$104.00	\$106.00
	Service connection deposit	\$1,081.57	\$1,100.00	\$1,120.00	\$1,140.00

	Survey fee	\$135.00	\$137.00	\$140.00	\$143.00
	Standard waste water installation fee	\$8,229.02	\$8,410.00	\$8,590.00	\$8,770.00
	Waste water connection with new manhole required	\$11,980.77	\$12,240.00	\$12,500.00	\$12,770.00
	Water meter testing fee	\$243.62	\$248.00	\$253.00	\$258.00
	Plumbing and investigation fee	\$234.73	\$239.00	\$244.00	\$249.00
	Interest on overdue accounts charged per month	12% pa	12% pa	12% pa	12% pa
	Dishonoured cheque fees	2 x bank charge	2 x bank charge	2 x bank charge	2 x bank charge
	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	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment
Commercial	Water unmetered basic monthly	\$1,533.30	\$1,670.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,820.00
	Water and waste water unmetered basic monthly charge (base 46kL)	\$2,292.82	\$2,490.00	\$2,610.00	\$2,710.00
	Monthly service standing charge	\$66.43	\$72.40	\$76.02	\$79.06
	Service installation fee	\$2,044.00	\$2,080.00	\$2,120.00	\$2,160.00
	Service disconnection fee	\$200.00	\$204.00	\$208.00	\$212.00
	Service reconnection fee	\$200.00	\$204.00	\$208.00	\$212.00
	Service connection deposit	\$4,514.75	\$4,610.00	\$4,710.00	\$4,810.00
	Survey fee	\$200.00	\$204.00	\$208.00	\$212.00
	Waste water installation/new connection fee (may include new manhole)	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment
	Water meter testing fee	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	based on detailed assessment	based on detailed assessment
	Plumbing and investigation fee	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	based on detailed assessment	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	2 x bank charge	2 x bank charge	2 x bank charge
	Service amplified fee	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	base on detailed assessment	based on detailed assessment
	Water and sewer service extension and relocation	Based on detailed assessment	Based on detailed assessment	based on detailed assessment	based on detailed assessment

NOTES:**1. CONSUMER CATEGORY DEFINITIONS****CONSUMER CATEGORY-DOMESTIC**

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 incorporates 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;
- (k) metered standpipe or commercial water tanker operators.

2. 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 of 40 cents per kL.

Dated this twenty-third day of December 2021.

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