

**WATER**

Effective Date 7-1-2014

Meter Size	Quarterly Service Charge	Quarterly Water Bill	Consumption Charges
5/8 - 3/4	\$ 19.00	First 6,000 Gallons	\$ 3.55 per 1,000 Gallons
1	\$ 25.00	6,001 to 25,000 Gallons	\$ 3.95 per 1,000 Gallons
1 1/2	\$ 31.00	Greater than 25,000 Gallons	\$ 4.40 per 1,000 Gallons
2	\$ 50.00		
3	\$ 190.00		
4	\$ 242.50		
Capital Improvement Quarterly Charge			
Capital Improvement Quarterly Charge (Senior)*		\$ 7.50 per Customer	

**SEWER**

Effective Date 1-1-2016

Meter Size	Quarterly Service Charge	Quarterly Sewer Bill	Consumption Charges
5/8 - 3/4	\$ 42.60	All Usage (thru Water Meter)	\$ 9.25 per 1,000 Gallons
1	\$ 54.00		
1.5	\$ 70.50		
2	\$ 112.50		
3	\$ 424.50		
4	\$ 540.00		

**TRASH**

Effective Date 9-1-2019

Rate Code	Property Type	Quarterly Rate
R-1	Single Family	\$ 95.00
R-2	Two Family	\$ 165.00
R-3	Three Family	\$ 235.00
R-4	Four Family	\$ 305.00
R-5	3 Unit Condo	\$ 285.00
RC-1	Add'l Recycling	\$ 25.00
R-7	Lifeline plus 1	\$ 64.00
R-8	Lifeline plus 2	\$ 89.00
R-9	Lifeline	\$ 24.00
RC	Recycling Only	\$ 30.00
S-1*	Senior 1 Family	\$ 46.50
S-2*	Senior 2 Family	\$ 63.00
S-3*	Senior 3 Family	\$ 81.50
S-4*	Senior 4 Family	\$ 98.50
S-P	Special	\$ 432.50

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\*Senior: 65 or older, proof of DOB needed

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**Think Conservation**

**Is your water consumption in line with the average?**

The average Bellingham water customer consumes 56 gallons per day per person. That amounts to 5,150 gallons per person per quarter. Use this information to analyze your water bill and see where you are compared to the average.

**Explanation of Water-Sewer-Trash (W-S-T) Quarterly Bill "Description" abbreviations.**

**Cap. Imp. Charge** = Drinking Water Capital Improvement Charge. This is a fixed fee. It is not based on your water meter readings or size of your water meter. It is the same for all water customers, with a discount for seniors. It generates revenue to provide funds for drinking water system capital projects.

**Water Service Ch** = Drinking Water Service Charge. This is a fixed fee. It is not based on your meter readings, but is based on the size of your meter. This fee covers cost of operating the drinking water system that is unaffected by the volume we pump or customers consume.

**Water Charge** = Drinking Water Usage Charge. This is the drinking water portion of the W-S-T bill that is related to the readings we get from your meter. This charge covers drinking water treatment and distribution costs that change when consumption increases or decreases. This item is somewhat under your control; conservation can reduce this charge.

**Sewer Service Ch** = Sewer (or Wastewater) Service Charge. This is a fixed fee. It is not based on your meter readings, but is based on the size of your meter. It covers the cost of operating the sewer system that is unaffected by the volume that customers discharge.

**Sewer Charge** = Sewer (or Wastewater) Usage Charge. This is the sewer portion of the utility bill that is related to the readings we get from your meter. It covers sewer collection and treatment cost that are affected by the volume of sewage that we collect and treat.

**Private Hydrant** = Private Hydrant Fee. Many businesses have hydrants on their private property that are connected to our system. The Town charges property owners a fix fee per hydrant.

**Fire Service** = Fire Sprinkler Service Fee. Many businesses and some homes, apartment buildings, and condominiums have fire sprinkler systems. The Town charges a fix fee for fire sprinklers service based on the size of the pipe that connects to the Town system.

**Trash** = Trash and Recycling Charge. This is a fixed fee based on the noted Rate Code.

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