



City of Topeka Utilities Fees and Charges Schedule

In accordance with Topeka Municipal Code Title 13, fees and charges assessed by the combined utilities for utility services are listed in a standardized schedule. These fees are based on the cost of providing the service or protecting the City from financial loss. This schedule is maintained by the Utilities Director and approved by the City Manager. It does not include utility rates, surcharges, fees, or taxes established by the City Council, Shawnee County, or the State of Kansas.

Account Fees		
Utility Account Deposit		
Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
Single or Multi-Family Residential	\$50.00	
Duplex	\$100.00	Charged for 2 residences on 1 service master
Apartment Building/ Condo	\$50.00	Charged per unit
Business/Commercial	\$50.00	Domestic Use only
Business/Commercial	\$200.00	5/8" or 1" service
Business/Commercial	\$300.00	1 ½" service
Business/Commercial	\$400.00	2" service
Business/Commercial	\$600.00	3" service
<i>Charged for a new account number established in the billing system</i>		
Transfer Service		
Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
Residential, Business or Commercial Deposit	Double standard amount	Charged when customer's security deposit was returned but payment history is unfavorable
Utility Payment Fees		
Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
Returned Payment Fee	per City Fees & Charges Schedule	Assessed when payment returned by a financial institution unhonored
Credit / Debit Card Charge ¹	To be determined	Assessed when payment made via credit or debit card
E-Check Charge ¹	To be determined	Assessed when payment made via e-check
Utility Late Payment Fee	\$15.00	Assessed when payment is not received 35 days of statement date on accounts that are not assessed for delinquent/disconnect fee

Meter Service Fees

Meter Testing

Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
5/8" – 1" Meter	\$110.00	Meter tested in field. Additional charge applies for bench test
1½" – 2" Meter	\$335.00	Meter tested in field. Additional charge applies for bench test
3" and up	\$260.00	Meter tested in field. Additional charge applies for bench test
Bench Testing	\$75.00	In addition to listed price for meter size

Meter Repair Costs

Type of Fee	Charge
All materials used for Repairs	Cost plus 15% of materials
Equipment	Current equipment rate
Labor	Actual hours at current labor rate ² , minimum one (1) hour
Engineering & Administrative Fee	5% of total cost of labor, material & equipment
<i>Meter repair charges are charged as a result to damage caused by customer</i>	

Fire Lines

Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
Emergency Fire Line Turn-off Fee	To be determined at a later date	
Non-Emergency Fire Line Turn-on/off Fee (normal business hours)	To be determined at a later date	Assessed for fire line turn on/off during normal business hours in a non-emergency situation
Non-Emergency Fire Line Turn-on/ off Fee (after business hours)	Three (3) hours overtime at current labor rate ¹	Assessed for fire line turn on/off during outside business hours in a non-emergency situation

Additional Charges

Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
Delinquent / Disconnect Fee	\$35.00	Assessed at the time water service is scheduled for shut-off due to non-payment
Same Day Trip Charge	\$35.00	Assessed when customer requests same day service and/or return trip
Non-Emergency After Hours Response	Actual hours at current labor rate ¹ (1-hour minimum)	Assessed for response to a non-emergency situation outside of normal business hours
Mobile Home Meter Maintenance	\$35.00	Assessed per occurrence
Illegal Water Usage Fee	\$75.00	Assessed when water service is restored by an unauthorized party
Tampering Fee	\$100.00	Assessed when water meter has been damaged by an unauthorized party <i>Additional damages may also be charged</i>
Unauthorized Water Service Fee	To be determined	Assessed when connection is made to City water system without proper authorization

Hydrant Meter Rental Fees

Meter Deposit (held without interest)

Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
One-inch (1") meters	\$1,100.00	Includes backflow prevention device. Deposit refunded at conclusion of rental period less administrative fee, final water invoice and charges for damages, if applicable
Three-inch (3") meters	\$2,225.00	Includes backflow prevention device. Deposit refunded at conclusion of rental period less administrative fee, final water invoice and charges for damages, if applicable

Monthly Fees

Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
One-inch (1") meters	\$60.00	Per 30 days or portion thereof. Monthly rental fee will not be prorated
Three-inch (3") meters	\$100.00	Per 30 days or portion thereof. Monthly rental fee will not be prorated

Administrative Fees

Type of Fee	Amount	Conditions
Administrative Fee	\$20.00	Assessed on all new hydrant meter rental permits
Annual Testing Fee Penalty	\$100.00 / month	Assessed per month if meter is not returned within ten (10) business days of notification
No Monthly Reading Provided	\$75.00	Assessed on the sixth (6 th) day after meter reading is due
Utility Late Payment Fee	\$15.00	Assessed on Hydrant Meter accounts with a delinquent balance. Customer will be ineligible for hydrant meter rental until the delinquent amount is paid in full

Installation, Relocation and Maintenance Fees

Development Fees

Type of Fee	Charge
Plan Review	Per City Fees & Charges Schedule
Water Main Tap Fee	\$500.00 per tap (2" and below) \$700.00 per tap (3" and larger)
Construction Inspection Fee	Actual hours at current labor rate, 1 minimum one (1) hour
Sanitary Sewer Tap Fee*	\$300.00
Sanitary Sewer Connection Fee*	\$360.00
Sherwood Improvement District Fee	\$25.00 In addition to Outside City Water System Fee (per City of Topeka contract No. 20569)
Parts & Materials	Cost plus 15% of materials
Equipment	Current equipment rate
Labor	Actual hours at current labor rate ² , minimum one (1) hour
Excavation Permit Fee ³	Per City Fees & Charges Schedule
Engineering & Administrative Fee	5% of total cost

Same day trip charge may apply in addition to the listed fee.

**Only one fee will be charged—either the sewer tap fee or sewer connection fee*

Service Installation Set Fees

Type of Service	Charges
5/8" Water Meter and 1" Tap/Service	\$1,735.00
1" Water Meter and 1" Tap/Service	\$1,815.00
1 ½" Water Meter and 1 ½" Tap/Service	\$5,760.00
2" Water Meter and 2" Tap/Service	\$6,230.00
Sanitary Sewer Tap Fee*	\$300.00
Sanitary Sewer Connection Fee*	\$360.00
Engineering Division Construction Inspection Fee ⁴	Per City Fees & Charges Schedule

For plumber installations, the City provides the following for the fee listed: Meter Setter, Meter Box, Meter Ring and Cover, Tapping Saddle (up to a 12" main), Corporation, Corporation Adapter, Meter, Meter Reading Device, One Service Trip for Tap, and Utilities Inspection Fees. Additional trip charges billed at a minimum of two (2) hours at current labor rate. Additional equipment or tapping saddles for greater than 12" mains will be billed at actual cost. A water main charge plus interest may apply to customers in specific locations. Contact City Engineers at 785- 368-3842 for more information.

** Only one fee will be charged—either the Sewer Tap fee or Sewer Connection fee.*

System Fees

Water System Fees

Water Meter Size	Inside City	Outside City
5/8"	\$650.00	\$1,138.00
1"	\$760.00	\$1,330.00
1 1/2"	\$1,295.00	\$2,266.00
2"	\$2,072.00	\$3,626.00
3"	\$3,885.00	\$6,779.00
4"	\$6,475.00	\$11,331.00
6"	\$12,950.00	\$22,663.00
8"	\$20,720.00	\$36,260.00

Sewer System Fees

Water Meter Size	Inside City	Outside City
5/8"	\$1,258.00	\$2,202.00
1"	\$1,470.00	\$2,573.00
1 1/2"	\$2,515.00	\$4,401.00
2"	\$4,025.00	\$7,044.00
3"	\$7,550.00	\$13,213.00
4"	\$11,250.00	\$19,688.00
6"	\$25,160.00	\$44,030.00
8"	\$40,260.00	\$70,455.00

Other Fees			
Excess Strength Surcharges			
Type of Charge	Amount		
Inside City	Effective 2/1/2026	Effective 2/1/2027	Effective 2/1/2028
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	\$0.002377 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.002809 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.003242 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons
Suspended Solids	\$0.001508 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.001782 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.002057 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons
Outside City			
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	\$0.004160 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.004917 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.005673 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons
Suspended Solids	\$0.002639 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.003119 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons	\$0.003599 per mg/l per 1,000 gallons
Septic Disposal Charges			
Type of Charge	Amount		
Commercial Rate	\$42.00 per 1,000 gallons		
Grease Disposal	\$80.00 per 1,000 gallons		
Special Industrial Waste	\$100.00 per 1,000 gallons		
	Effective 3/1/2026	Effective 2027	Effective 2028
Septic Disposal	\$44.28 per 1,000 gallons	\$52.33 per 1,000 gallons	\$59.40 per 1,000 gallons
Holding Tank	\$16.50 per 1,000 gallons	\$19.50 per 1,000 gallons	\$25.00 per 1,000 gallons
Other Charges			
Type of Charge	Amount		
Lime Residual Hauling per 16–20-ton truckload (no partial Loads) Charged to the Utilities by haulers.	\$300.00		
Bulk Water (Bulk Water station located at Distribution Facility)	\$0.50 per 50 gallons		

¹ Currently not assessed by the Utilities; may be assessed at a future date

² Current labor rate = \$75.00

³ Inside City Excavations/Installations only; Collected by the Utilities Department on behalf of Development Services Division

⁴ Engineering Division Construction Inspection Fee collected by the Utilities Department on behalf of Development Services Division