



2020 Water & Wastewater/Stormwater Rates

City Council has approved a combined 4.11% increase to the water and wastewater/storm rates. The following rates based on metered water consumption are effective January 1, 2020:

VARIABLE CHARGES		RATE TABLE FOR FIXED DAILY CHARGES *		
Water Consumption Charge per cubic metre	\$ 1.64	Meter Size	Water Rate	Wastewater/Storm Rate
Wastewater/Storm Treatment Charge per cubic metre	\$ 1.75	15 mm	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.39
Above charges based on metered water usage.		16 mm	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.39
* Fixed charges are progressive based on the size of the property's service and corresponding meter. Your meter size is shown under the Meter Type column within the Your Usage <i>For This Period</i> section located at the bottom of your bill.		20 mm	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.39
		21 mm	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.39
		25 mm	\$ 0.93	\$ 0.98
		38 mm	\$ 1.85	\$ 1.95
		50 mm	\$ 2.96	\$ 3.12
		75 mm	\$ 5.92	\$ 6.24
		100 mm	\$ 9.25	\$ 9.75
		150 mm	\$ 18.50	\$ 19.50
		200 mm	\$ 29.60	\$ 31.20
		250 mm	\$ 42.55	\$ 44.85
300 mm	\$ 62.90	\$ 66.30		

How do we compare to other municipalities?

The following chart provides 2019 fixed charges restated on monthly basis for comparison purposes with other Ontario municipalities - note that Hamilton's variable rates are lower than the comparators below.

HAMILTON'S

Water and wastewater/stormwater rates are among the lowest in Ontario.

Meter Size (mm)	Fixed Monthly Water Charge Comparison (2019 Rates)								
	Hamilton	Guelph	Cambridge	West Lincoln	Barrie	Halton	London	Durham	Haldimand
15 & 16	\$10.95	\$7.80	\$10.03	\$12.53	\$12.83	\$14.30	\$15.80	\$18.68	\$19.80
20	\$10.95	\$7.80	\$10.03	\$12.53	\$12.83	\$14.30	\$23.70	\$18.68	\$19.80
25	\$27.38	\$10.50	\$24.46	\$31.33	\$32.08	\$42.24	\$39.50	\$37.97	\$19.80
38	\$54.75	\$27.30	\$48.83	\$62.66	\$64.17	\$69.51	\$79.01	\$80.82	\$111.88
50	\$87.60	\$59.70	\$78.15	\$100.25	\$102.67	\$151.96	\$126.43	\$174.55	\$243.17
75	\$175.20	\$126.30	\$171.03	\$200.51	\$224.59	\$270.71	\$276.52	\$306.83	\$427.93
100	\$273.75	\$217.80	\$293.93	\$313.30	\$385.03	\$463.01	\$474.06	\$610.12	\$851.11
150	\$547.50	\$408.30	\$614.70	\$626.59	\$802.13	\$1,176.31	\$1,106.15	\$1,133.93	\$1,583.20
200	\$876.00	\$711.30	\$802.84	\$1,002.55	\$1,026.72	\$1,889.90	\$1,896.22	\$1,933.10	\$2,704.21
250	\$1,259.25	\$1,174.20	\$1,163.35	N/A	\$1,475.93	\$2,361.42	\$2,370.41	\$3,145.71	N/A

For more information contact Alectra Utilities:
 905-522-9200 (Mon – Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm)
 or visit: www.horizonutilities.com/water-wastewater-rates

The combined 4.11% rate increase will be used to support:

Investment in treatment plants, distribution / collection systems & stormwater management.

4.0%



Operating and maintenance costs to keep our drinking water safe.

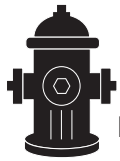
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Why do rates keep increasing?

The cost to distribute, collect and treat municipal water and wastewater throughout the City remains relatively constant, regardless of the volume actually consumed by all residents. The largest portion of your bill is used for capital renewal and expansion of the City's overall water/wastewater/storm infrastructure. Aging City infrastructure becomes more costly to operate, maintain and replace.



INFRASTRUCTURE



13,322 FIRE HYDRANTS

152,214 WATER METERS



2075km OF WATER MAINS

1740km OF SEWER PIPES

1175km OF STORM SEWERS



1 WATER TREATMENT PLANT

2 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS



93 PUMPING STATIONS

32 STORAGE FACILITIES



7 WATER TOWERS

WATER FACTS

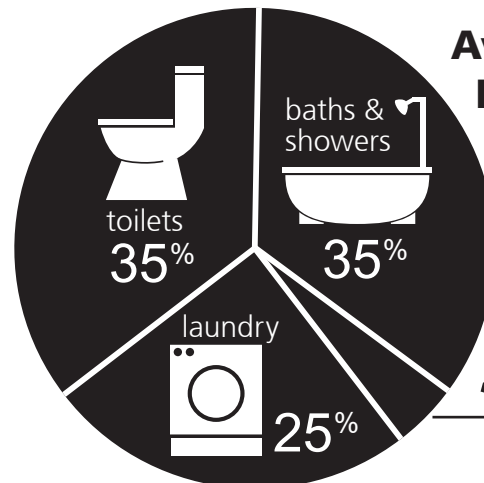


500ml of bottled water costs an average of **1.00 DOLLAR**



OR you could fill a 500ml bottle from the tap

1225 TIMES



Average Household Water Usage



5% drinking & cooking