

CITY OF HAMPTON - Water & Sewer Rates:

Water Flat Rate \$8.40 Included in every account with access to water, whether water is used or not.

Water Cost per Gallon: Tier 1 Next 1,500 gallons for \$0.00560 per gallon
Tier 2 Next 4,000 gallons for \$0.004 per gallon
Tier 3 Next 60,000 gallons for \$0.00255 per gallon
Tier 4 Over 65,000 gallons for \$0.0016 per gallon

This is the actual cost of every gallon. Multiply the number of gallons consumed by the cost per gallon in the appropriate tier. You must then add the totals from each tier to calculate you bill.

Water Tax 7%

Sewer Flat Rate \$18.00 Included in every account with access to sewer, whether sewer is used or not.

Sewer Cost/Gallon Tier 1 0-15,000 gallons for \$0.0014 per gallon
Tier 2 Over 15,000 gallons for \$0.0012 per gallon

Sewer Tax 7%

Number of sewer gallons and water gallons consumed are always equal, and gallons used should be multiplied in the appropriate tier and added together to determine sewer bill, that's added to the water bill.

Landfill Flat Rate Residential Property \$0.75
 Commercial Property \$1.50
 Industrial Property \$3.00

Compost Flat Rate \$0.50

Monthly Bill for residential property Water/Sewer access without water usage:

Water	Flat Rate	\$ 8.40
Sales Tax		.59
Sewer	Flat Rate	18.00
Landfill Levy		.75
Compost Fee		<u>.50</u>
		\$28.24

CHAPTER 92

WATER RATES

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92.01 SERVICE CHARGES. Each customer shall pay for water service provided by the City based upon use of water as determined by meters provided for in Chapter 91. Each location, building, premises or connection shall be considered a separate and distinct customer whether owned or controlled by the same person or not.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84[1])

92.02 RATES FOR SERVICE. Water service shall be furnished at the following monthly rates within the City:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84[1])

Gallons Used Per Month	Rate
First 1,500	\$5.60 per 1,000 gallons
Next 4,000	\$4.00 per 1,000 gallons
Next 60,000	\$2.55 per 1,000 gallons
All over 65,500	\$1.60 per 1,000 gallons
There shall be added a charge of \$0.50 to each bill allocated to the Solid Waste Fund for the cost of staffing the Hampton compost site.	
The minimum bill per month is \$8.90.	

92.03 BILLING FOR WATER SERVICE. Water service shall be billed as part of a combined service account, payable in accordance with the following:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

1. Bills Issued. The Clerk shall prepare and issue bills for combined service accounts on or before the first day of each month.
2. Bills Payable. Bills for combined service accounts shall be due and payable at the office of the Clerk by the twentieth (20th) day of the same month.
3. Late Payment Penalty. Bills not paid when due shall be considered delinquent. A one-time late payment penalty of five percent (5%) of the amount due shall be added to each delinquent bill.

92.04 SERVICE DISCONTINUED. Water service to delinquent customers shall be discontinued in accordance with the following:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84[1])

1. Notice. The Clerk shall notify each delinquent customer that service will be discontinued if payment of the combined service account, including late payment charges, is not received by the date specified in the notice of delinquency. Such notice shall be sent by ordinary mail to the customer in whose name the delinquent charges were incurred and shall inform the customer of the nature of the delinquency and afford the customer the opportunity for a hearing prior to the discontinuance.

2. Notice to Landlords. If the customer is a tenant, and if the owner or landlord of the property has made a written request for notice, the notice of delinquency shall also be given to the owner or landlord.
3. Hearing. If a hearing is requested by noon of the day preceding the shut off, the Public Works Director or City Manager shall conduct an informal hearing and shall make a determination as to whether the disconnection is justified.
4. Fees. A restoration fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be charged before service is restored to a delinquent customer. No fee shall be charged for the usual or customary trips in the regular changes in occupancies of property.

92.05 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT. The owner of the premises served and any lessee or tenant thereof shall be jointly and severally liable for water service charges to the premises. Water service charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall constitute a lien upon the premises served and shall be certified by the Clerk to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

92.06 LIEN EXEMPTION. The lien for nonpayment shall not apply to a residential rental property where water service is separately metered and the rates or charges for the water service are paid directly to the City by the tenant, if the landlord gives written notice to the City that the property is residential rental property and that the tenant is liable for the rates or charges. The City may require a deposit not exceeding the usual cost of ninety (90) days of water service be paid to the City. The landlord's written notice shall contain the name of the tenant responsible for charges, the address of the rental property and the date of occupancy. A change in tenant shall require a new written notice to be given to the City within thirty (30) business days of the change in tenant. When the tenant moves from the rental property, the City shall refund the deposit if the water service charges are paid in full. A change in the ownership of the residential rental property shall require written notice of such change to be given to the City within ten business days of the completion of the change of ownership. The lien exemption does not apply to delinquent charges for repairs to a water service.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

92.07 LIEN NOTICE. A lien for delinquent water service charges shall not be certified to the County Treasurer unless prior written notice of intent to certify a lien is given to the customer in whose name the delinquent charges were incurred. If the customer is a tenant and if the owner or landlord of the property has made a written request for notice, the notice shall also be given to the owner or landlord. The notice shall be sent to the appropriate persons by ordinary mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to certification of the lien to the County Treasurer.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

92.08 CUSTOMER DEPOSITS. There shall be required from every customer not the owner of the premises served a one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) deposit intended to guarantee the payment of bills for service.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

92.09 TEMPORARY VACANCY. A property owner may request water service be temporarily discontinued and shut off at the curb stop when the property is expected to be vacant for an extended period of time. There shall be a ten dollar (\$10.00) fee collected for restoring service. During a period when service is temporarily discontinued as provided herein there shall be no monthly minimum service charge. The City will not drain pipes or pull meters for temporary vacancies.

92.10 NO DEDUCTION FOR LEAKAGE. No deduction will be made because of leakage after the water has passed through a meter. If leakage occurs in a service pipe, including frozen pipes, the City may shut off the supply at the curb valve until the service is repaired.

CHAPTER 99

SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

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99.01 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES REQUIRED. Every customer shall pay to the City sewer service fees as hereinafter provided.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

99.02 RATE. Sewer service shall be furnished at the following monthly rates within the City:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

1. Base Rate. A base rate of \$17.00 per month, plus the usage rate. Effective July 2009, the base rate shall increase to \$18.00 per month.
2. Usage Rate. \$1.40 per 1,000 gallons for the first 15,000 gallons and \$1.20 per 1,000 gallons for over 15,000 gallons.

99.03 SPECIAL RATES. Where, in the judgment of the Wastewater Lead Operator and the Council, special conditions exist to the extent that the application of the sewer charges provided in Section 99.02 would be inequitable or unfair to either the City or the customer, a special rate shall be proposed by the Wastewater Lead Operator and submitted to the Council for approval by resolution.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

99.04 PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS. Customers whose premises are served by a private water system shall pay sewer charges based upon the water used as determined by the City either by an estimate agreed to by the customer or by metering the water system at the customer's expense. Any negotiated or agreed upon sales or charges shall be subject to approval of the Council. The minimum charge is twenty-three dollars (\$23.00) per month. In July of 2009, the minimum charge shall be twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) per month.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

99.05 PAYMENT OF BILLS. All sewer service charges are due and payable under the same terms and conditions provided for payment of a combined service account as contained in Section 92.03 of this Code of Ordinances. Sewer service may be discontinued in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 92.04 if the combined service account becomes delinquent, and the provisions contained in Section 92.07 relating to lien notices shall also apply in the event of a delinquent account.

99.06 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT. The owner of the premises served and any lessee or tenant thereof shall be jointly and severally liable for sewer service charges to the premises. Sewer service charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall constitute a lien upon the premises served and shall be certified by the Clerk to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

99.07 SPECIAL AGREEMENTS PERMITTED. No statement in these chapters shall be construed as preventing a special agreement, arrangement or contract between the Council, and any industrial concern whereby an industrial waste of unusual strength or character may be accepted subject to special conditions, rate and cost as established by the Council.