

Infrastructure Charges Schedule

Service Tariffs

Unitywater's charges for supply of water and collection and treatment of sewage (i.e. access and volumetric tariffs) are published on Unitywater's website www.unitywater.com

Connecting Customers to Water Supply and Sewerage Networks

Charges for connection to Unitywater's water supply and sewerage networks are published on Unitywater's website www.unitywater.com and include:

- a. Charges to connect new development to Unitywater's water supply and sewerage mains;
- b. Charges for supply and installation of property service infrastructure such as water meters and sewerage connection branches; and
- c. Fees for an application or request made under Chapter 4C of the *South East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009* such as:
 - i. Provision of Service Advice Notices;
 - ii. Amending a Decision; and
 - iii. Preparing and entering into Water Approval Agreements

Provision of Trunk Water Supply and Sewerage Infrastructure

Unitywater levies infrastructure charges for contribution to the capital cost of trunk water supply and sewerage infrastructure under the provision of *Chapter 4C, Part 7, Division 3 of the South East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009* and the Queensland Government's State Planning Regulatory Provision for 'Adopted Charges'.

The contribution rates, method of calculation of infrastructure charges and breakdown of the charges between Unitywater and the participating councils are prescribed in resolutions of the Unitywater Board. The Infrastructure Charges Schedule can be accessed via (Note: The Infrastructure Charges Schedule is not part of the Netserv Plan. It will be published separately, on the Unitywater website on 1 May 2019).

Calculation of Fees and Charges

1. Water Approvals

[Section 99BRAN of the South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009]

a. Connection Charge

The 'Connection Charge' for water supply and sewerage network connections is determined by preparing a detailed quotation for each individual network connection. This is the fairest approach because of the variability of the:

- i. Scope of procurement and construction activity; and
- ii. Scale of such works.

b. Property Service Works Charge

'Property Service Works Charges' for supply and installation of property service infrastructure such as water meters and sewerage connections are calculated based upon an assessment of all components of cost (e.g. labour and materials) involved in the administration of connection applications and in the procurement of materials, equipment and labour to effect the installation and commissioning of the property service infrastructure.

2. Standard Water Connection

[Section 99BRAV of the South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009]

a. Standard Water Connections

For standard water connections (i.e. 20mm and 25mm water meters) the scope of work to install a water meter can vary from street to street depending upon other things such as; underground services, landscaping, location of road furniture (e.g. bus stops and concrete footpaths) and the location and depth of water mains. Hence, the installation cost can vary depending upon the circumstances of individual properties. Accordingly, an average cost approach is used to set the charge for installation of standard connections. This is considered to be the most practical and cost-effective approach to installing standard connections within a 10 day period from the time of application which is a service standard considered acceptable by the housing industry.

Larger diameter water meters are required to serve commercial and industrial land uses. For these connections Unitywater determines charges by preparing a detailed quotation for each individual connection. The development industry and Unitywater considers this to be the fairest method of setting the charge for connection of commercial and industrial land uses.

b. Standard Sewerage Connections

In instances where the sewerage connection is not installed at the time of construction of the subdivision Unitywater prepares individual quotations for installation of the sewerage connection. This is the fairest approach because of the variability of the:

- i. Scope of procurement and construction activity; and
- ii. Scale of cost of such works.

3. Adopted Infrastructure Charges

Section 99BRAC and 99BRCF of the South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009]

Adopted Infrastructure Charges are set by the Queensland Government in a State Planning Regulatory Provision (Adopted Charges). These charges are levied in accordance with the Infrastructure Charges Schedule adopted by the Unitywater Board.

The breakdown or apportionment of Adopted Infrastructure Charges between Unitywater and the participating councils has been agreed in accordance with the requirements of the State Planning Regulatory Provision (Adopted Charges) and set out in the Infrastructure Charges Schedule adopted by the Unitywater Board.

(Note: The Infrastructure Charges Schedule is not part of the Netserv Plan and commenced on the 01 May 2019).