

Water Infrastructure Charges 2019 - 2020

March 2019

Here is a summary of the infrastructure charges for 2019-20. These are updated every year in line with the water company charges statements published in February and taking effect in April. The figures used are for residential infrastructure charges only (commercial infrastructure charges are calculated separately based on usage). Credits against these charges will still be available for previous usage by connections to the site within the last 5 years. One credit is normally allowed for each residential property that is replaced by the new development.

Water Company	New potable water charge (£) *	New sewerage charge (£) *
Affinity Water	375.00	N/A
Anglian Water	458.50	471.00
	AW's charges include a zonal element. In future years this could mean variable charges within the AW supply zone. In 2018-19 and 2019-20 the zonal element was fixed.	
Bournemouth Water	101.00	N/A
Bristol Water	334.00	N/A
Cambridge Water	325.00	N/A
Cholderton & District Water	TBC	N/A
Dwr Cymru Welsh Water	392.00	392.00
Essex & Suffolk Water	240.00	N/A
	ESW will waive their charge if a property consumes no more than 105l per person per day	
Hafren Dyfrdwy	391.74	391.74
Northumbrian Water	185.00	335.00
	NW will waive their potable charge if a property consumes no more than 105l per person per day and offer discounts to the sewerage charge based on drainage scope.	
Portsmouth Water	344.00	N/A
	PW will provide a 50% discount on their charge if a property consumes no more than 100l per person per day.	
Severn Trent Water	438.89	265.08
	STW will waive their potable charge if a property consumes no more than 110l per person per day and offer discounts to the sewerage charge for sustainable drainage systems.	
Scottish Water	N/A (Not regulated by OFWAT)	N/A (Not regulated by OFWAT)
SES Water	350.00	N/A
	SESW will offer a % discount on their charge based on various water efficiency measures, see their charges scheme document for full details.	
South East Water	536.71	N/A
	SEW's charge reduces to £373.61 per unit if the development size is 5 connections or less, or to £276.61 for any 'eco-connections' using new 20mm outside diameter pipework.	
South Staffs Water	325.00	N/A
South West Water	101.00	759.00
Southern Water	200.00	765.00
	SW's drainage charge reduces to £550.00 per unit if below 20 connections. SW will waive their potable charge if a property consumes no more than 110l per person per day.	
Thames Water	140.00	210.00
United Utilities	350.00	415.00
	UU's potable charge will reduce to £35 if a property consumes no more than 110l per person per day. The sewerage charge will reduce to £42 if no surface water connection to the public sewer.	
Wessex Water	147.00	190.00
	WW will offer a discount to the sewerage charge for sustainable drainage systems.	
Yorkshire Water	75.00	175.00
	YW will offer a % discount to their charges if a property consumes less than 125l per person per day. If no surface water discharge to a public sewer, £125 is deducted from the sewerage charge.	

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Examples of these charges

Central London site:

100 residential units in Thames Water region, replacing 30 units which have been occupied in the last 5 years:

Infrastructure charges of £35,000 and infrastructure credits of £10,500.

This is a total cost of £24,500.

Kent site:

100 residential units in South-East Water (potable) and Southern Water (sewerage) regions on greenfield site (no previous units/credits). 50% of the new units use new eco-connections.

Infrastructure charges of £65,085.50 (standard units) and £52,080.50 (eco-connection units).

This is a total cost of £117,166.

Note: These are simple examples and there are different permutations and exclusions that may change the outcome of the calculations.

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