# THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SUMMERLAND **BYLAW NUMBER 2021-054**

## A Bylaw to Amend Water Utilities Bylaw No. 2014-019

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Summerland, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. Water Utilities Bylaw No. 2014-019 as amended, is hereby further amended by deleting Schedule 'A' - Water Fees, Charges, Rates and Fines in its entirety and replacing it with a new Schedule 'A' - Water Fees, Charges, Rates and Fines, as attached to and forming part of this bylaw, as Schedule A.
- 2. This Bylaw comes into force and effect on the 1st day of January, 2022.
- 3. This Bylaw may be cited as "Water Utilities and Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 2021-054".

Read a first, second and third time this 13th day of December, 2021.

Adopted by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Summerland this 17th day of December, 2021.

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# SCHEDULE 'A' WATER FEES, CHARGES, RATES AND FINES (effective January 1st, 2022)

#### Agricultural Water

Each Agricultural Water account will be billed as follows:

- 1.1. Annual rate of \$202.53 per 0.405 hectare (1 acre) of Arable Area for the supply of water and system maintenance necessary up to a depth of 800 mm, plus
  - 1.1.1 An inclining block fee for use over the threshold of 800 mm as follows:

1 – 20%	\$0.25 per cubic metre
21 – 40%	\$0.50 per cubic metre
41 – 60%	\$1.00 per cubic metre
61 – 80%	\$2.00 per cubic metre
81% and over	\$4.00 per cubic metre

### 2. Cemetery, Park, Playfield Water

Each Cemetery, Park, Playfield Water account will be billed as follows:

- 2.1. Annual rate of \$223.40 per 0.405 hectare (1 acre) of Arable Area for the supply of water and system maintenance necessary up to a depth of 800 mm, plus
  - 2.1.1. An inclining block fee for use over the threshold of 800 mm as follows:

1 – 20%	\$0.25 per cubic metre
21 – 40%	\$0.50 per cubic metre
41 – 60%	\$1.00 per cubic metre
61 – 80%	\$2.00 per cubic metre
81% and over	\$4.00 per cubic metre

#### 3. Commercial Water

Each Commercial Water account will be billed as follows:

- 3.1. Monthly mandatory base fee of \$43.84 for the supply and system maintenance necessary for each account's access to water, plus
- 3.2. Commercial Water use fee of \$0.47 per cubic metre for all water used.

#### 4. Domestic Water

Each Domestic Water account will be billed as follows:

4.1. Monthly mandatory base fee of \$43.84 for the supply and system maintenance necessary for each account's access to water, plus

- 4.2. Domestic Water use fee of \$0.47 per cubic metre:
  - 4.2.1. up to a maximum of 25 cubic metres, plus
  - 4.2.2. volume calculated based on the depth of water required to maintain vegetative growth over 70% of each parcel to a maximum parcel size of 0.81 ha (2.00 acres).

The Domestic Water volume calculation is based on the following water depths:

Billing Period	Water Depth
Dec 28 – Jan 27	0 mm
Jan 28 – Feb 27	0 mm
Feb 28 – Mar 27	0 mm
Mar 28 – Apr 27	35 mm
Apr 28 - May 27	95 mm
May 28 - Jun 27	150 mm
Jun 28 - Jul 27	180 mm
Jul 28 - Aug 27	175 mm
Aug 28 - Sep 27	110 mm
Sep 28 - Oct 27	55 mm
Oct 28 – Nov 27	0 mm
Nov 28 – Dec 27	0 mm

Where a property has Agricultural Water and Domestic Water, the parcel size for calculating Domestic Water volume shall be the parcel size minus the Arable Area. In no case shall the area used for calculating Domestic Water volume exceed 0.81 ha (2.00 acres), plus

4.3. Domestic additional water use fee of \$1.81 per cubic metre for any volume in excess of the Domestic Water volume allowed in Section 4.2, calculated for each account.

#### Domestic Second Water

Each Domestic Second Water account will be billed an annual charge as follows:

Arable acres of .5 or less		\$ 67.81
Arable acres of .51 to 1.0	×	\$ 172.60
Arable acres of 1.01 to 1.5		\$ 283.56
Arable acres of 1.51 to 1.99		\$ 391.45

#### 6. Golf Course Water

Each Golf Course Water account will be billed as follows:

- 6.1. An annual rate of \$223.40 per 0.405 hectare (1 acre) of Arable Area for the supply of water and system maintenance necessary up to a depth of 800 mm, plus
  - 6.1.1. An inclining block fee for use over the threshold of 800 mm as follows:

1 – 20%	\$0.25 per cubic metre
21 – 40%	\$0.50 per cubic metre
41 – 60%	\$1.00 per cubic metre
61 – 80%	\$2.00 per cubic metre
81% and over	\$4.00 per cubic metre

#### Greenhouse Water

Each Greenhouse Water account will be billed as follows:

- 7.1. Annual rate of \$459.14 per 0.405 hectare (1 acre) of Arable Area for the supply of water and system maintenance necessary up to a depth of 1,727 mm, plus
  - 7.1.1 An inclining block fee for use over the threshold of 1,727 mm as follows:

1 – 20%	\$0.25 per cubic metre
21 – 40%	\$0.50 per cubic metre
41 – 60%	\$1.00 per cubic metre
61 – 80%	\$2.00 per cubic metre
81% and over	\$4.00 per cubic metre

#### 8. Groundwater

Each Groundwater Water Account will be billed for the collection and storage of water, as follows:

8.1. Annual rate of \$146.74 per 0.405 hectare (1 acre) of Arable Area.

## 9. Other Water

Each Other Water account will be billed as follows:

- 9.1. Base fee of \$43.84 for the supply and system maintenance necessary for each account's access to water, plus
- 9.2. Other Water use fee of \$0.47 per cubic metre for all water used.

## 10. Environmental Levy

Charge for environmental levy per Domestic Water Connection per month

\$ 4.32

#### 11. New Arable Area Fee

Addition of new Arable Area, for Agricultural Water, Cemetery, Park, Playfield Water, Golf Course Water, Greenhouse Water, and Other Water.

Per Hectare

\$10,500.00

#### 12. Service Pipe Fees

All Service Pipe Fees are subject to a 15% administration fee as well as applicable taxes. Prior to service works commencing, applicants are required to pay a deposit, in full, based on the costing estimate provided by the District.

12.1. Domestic Water Service Installation

Actual cost

12.2. Water Service Removal

Actual cost

12.3. Pit Meter Installation – Single Family Domestic Water

Actual cost

# 13. <u>Service Fees</u>

Water Turn On or Turn Off - per site attendance	\$ 53.50
Water Meter Testing	\$ 48.62
Hydrant Use Permit	\$ 36.49
	plus \$11.05 per day
Irrigation Season Extension Application	\$ 50.93
Advance Season Irrigation Application	\$ 50.93
Water System Modelling	\$1,050.00
Water Account Transfer	\$ 15.00
Field test for meter accuracy – meter found accurate	\$ 36.49
Field test for meter accuracy – meter found inaccurate	No charge
After Hours Call Out Rate	\$ 206.06
Application Fee – AMR Water Meter Relocation	\$ 98.44

# 14. Fine Schedule

Unmetered Water Use	\$ 500.00
Water used by other than occupant	\$ 50.00
Wasting water	\$ 100.00
Unauthorized Connection	\$ 100.00
Tamper with water system	\$ 100.00
Unauthorized use of fire hydrant	\$ 100.00
Unauthorized use of valve or stop cock	\$ 100.00
Fail to maintain access to Water Meter	\$ 50.00
Sell water without permit	\$ 100.00
Give water without permit	\$ 100.00
Water use not in accordance with the Water Utilities Bylaw	
No. 2014-019, Part 9	\$ 100.00
Cross-connect water services	\$1,000.00