

2026-27 Charges Scheme for customers on default rates

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This document contains details of Source for Business' rates for customers on default rates in 2026/27. The rates have been made under the provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991 (as amended by the Water Industry Act 1999 and the Water Act 2014).

The rates come into force on 1 April 2026 and will apply to customers who are on default tariffs. All rates exclude VAT.

Please note, the meter size is the chargeable size as classified on the central market database, not the physical size of the meter.

Sewerage rates for Wessex, Southern, Anglian and Severn Trent regions have been calculated using the OFWAT charging rules and may differ from the actual rates charged by the legacy retailer for that region.

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Bournemouth rates

These rates relate to default customers where Bournemouth Water is the water wholesaler.

Unmetered water rates

	Fixed annual	Variable per £ RV	Variable per m ³
Standard unmetered	£58.70	£1.0508	
Churches	£141.70	£0.0000	
Swimming pools	£116.16	£0.0000	
Troughs	£139.29	£0.0000	
Assessed	£58.70		£1.6233

Metered water rates

CMOS tariff	Consumption m ³	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³
NHH1	< 500	£70.14	£1.6233
NHH2a	500 – 750	£0.00	£1.6751
NHH2	>750 – 2,000	£0.00	£1.6751
NHH3	>2,000 – 4,000	£0.00	£1.6751
NHH4	>4,000 – 10,000	£0.00	£1.6751
NHH5	>10,000 – 50,000	£1,337.35	£1.5793
NHH6	>50,000	£18,525.32	£1.2010

Unmetered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Wessex Water is the water wholesaler.

Unmetered variable rates (£ per RV)	
Rateable value foul water charge	£2.5157
Rateable value surface water drainage charge	£0.1805
Rateable value highway drainage charge	£0.1676

Other unmetered rates (£ per annum)	
Assessed band 1	£242.89
Assessed band 2	£340.23
Assessed band 3	£406.16
Assessed band 4	£459.53
Assessed band 5	£530.70

Assessed band 6	£588.26
Assessed band 7	£643.73
Assessed band 8	£696.06

Metered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Wessex Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

m ³	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³
0 – 499	£58.70	£2.9643
>500	£0.00	£3.1156

Drainage rates - <20,000m³

Meter size (mm)	Full	Inc. surface water drainage rebate
1-25	£56.51	£27.21
26-29	£286.75	£139.19
30-39	£467.81	£227.10
40-49	£641.54	£311.87
50-64	£1,177.38	£571.42
65-79	£1,710.09	£829.93
80-99	£3,006.80	£1,458.92
100-124	£5,211.92	£2,528.51
125-149	£7,082.15	£3,436.94
150-199	£10,692.82	£5,188.90
>200	£14,164.31	£6,872.84

Unmetered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Southern Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

Unmeasured sewerage services	
Fixed charge - per year	£58.70

Rateable value charge - per £ rateable value	£2.2428
Supply to premises without rateable value - per year	£475.13
Highway drainage	£20.05
Surface water drainage	£52.32

Metered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Southern Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

Measured sewerage rates	
Highway drainage - per meter - charge per year	
Low user forecast volume <0.5ML / year	£20.05
Standard user forecast volume >0.5ML / year	£21.07
Surface water drainage - per meter - charge per year	
Low user forecast volume <0.5ML / year	
Up to 20mm	£52.32
25mm	£385.10
40mm	£770.21
50mm	£962.76
80mm	£1,925.52
100mm	£2,503.17
150mm	£6,354.22
Standard user forecast volume >0.5ML / year	
Up to 20mm	£55.00
25mm	£404.76
40mm	£809.53
50mm	£1,011.91
80mm	£2,023.82
100mm	£2,630.95
150mm	£6,678.60
Standard tariff - unit volume charge - foul water drainage - per cubic meter	
Low user forecast volume <0.5ML / year	£3.7100
Standard user - forecast volume >0.5ML / year	£3.8995

Cambridge rates

These rates relate to default customers where Cambridge Water is the water wholesaler.

Metered water rates

Consumption banding	CMOS tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
< 500 m ³	MP2	0	£104.62	£1.4152	£32.95
		50	£104.62	£1.4152	£32.95
		80	£259.06	£1.4152	£180.52
		100	£274.97	£1.4152	£195.72
		>100	£327.73	£1.4152	£246.13
Garden taps	MP5	0	£70.14	£1.4152	£0.00
		15	£78.77	£1.4152	£8.25
		20	£87.24	£1.4152	£16.34
		>20	£95.97	£1.4152	£24.68
500-50,000 m ³	MP20	0	£35.58	£1.4604	£32.95
		50	£35.58	£1.4604	£32.95
		80	£194.96	£1.4604	£180.52
		100	£211.37	£1.4604	£195.72
		>100	£265.82	£1.4604	£246.13
>50,000 m ³	MP20	0	£35.58	£1.4334	£32.95
		50	£35.58	£1.4334	£32.95
		80	£194.96	£1.4334	£180.52
		100	£211.37	£1.4334	£195.72
		>100	£265.82	£1.4334	£246.13
Large user 150ML+	MP3	99	£191.35	£1.1330	£180.52
		>99	£260.89	£1.1330	£246.13

Unmetered water rates

	Fixed annual	Variable per £ RV
Standard unmetered	£95.29	£0.0828
Zero rateable value premises	£94.19	

Student rooms

Fixed annual	£65.43
Per room	£151.37

Metered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Anglian Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	SWD fixed	HD fixed
Streamline green	£68.12	£2.3069	£51.28	£24.07
Streamline orange	£55.00	£2.3493	£88.00	£25.30
Profile plus (>10ML)	£1,779.80	£2.2166	£1,870.00	£25.30

Unmetered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Anglian Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

Band	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	SWD fixed	HD fixed
Band 1 where RV is up to £1,000	£482.17	£0.2444	£51.29	£23.00
Band 2 where RV is between £1,001 and £5,000	£853.28	£0.2444	£51.28	£23.00
Band 3 where RV is above £5,001	£1,966.62	£0.2444	£51.28	£23.00

South Staffs rates

These rates relate to default customers where South Staffs Water is the water wholesaler.

Metered water rates

Consumption banding	CMOS tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
< 500 m ³	MP1	0	£104.62	£1.7565	£32.95
		50	£104.62	£1.7565	£32.95
		80	£259.06	£1.7565	£180.52
		100	£274.97	£1.7565	£195.72
		200	£327.73	£1.7565	£246.13
		>200	£4,693.46	£1.7565	£4,417.59
Churches	MP4	N/A	£180.86	£1.7565	N/A
>500-50,000 m ³	MP10	0	£35.58	£1.8126	£32.95
		50	£35.58	£1.8126	£32.95
		80	£194.96	£1.8126	£180.52
		100	£211.37	£1.8126	£195.72
		200	£265.82	£1.8126	£246.13
		>200	£4,770.99	£1.8126	£4,417.59
>50,000 m ³	DT001		£3,476.60	£1.6811	

Unmetered water rates

	Fixed annual	Variable per £ RV
Standard unmetered	£58.70	£1.1267
Churches	£169.42	£0.0000
Swimming pools	£186.65	£0.0000
Taps	£169.42	£0.0000
Troughs	£216.95	£0.0000

Reservation tariff

Peak monthly demand (ML)	Summer reservation charge	Winter reservation charge
0.3	£51,141.49	£34,092.80
0.4	£54,977.21	£36,653.00
0.5	£58,814.48	£39,208.62
0.6	£62,647.13	£41,767.31
0.7	£66,485.93	£44,321.39
0.8	£70,321.66	£46,878.56
0.9	£74,155.85	£49,438.76
1	£80,738.59	£53,827.27
Each additional 0.1	£6,729.74	£4,484.96

Volumetric rate	Standard	Premium
Up to 350 ML	£0.8057	£2.2621
Over 350 ML	£0.7863	£2.3141

Metered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Severn Trent Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

m ³	Fixed charge	Variable per m ³	Highway drainage fixed charge
1-499	£79.28	£1.7012	£20.59
>500	£21.63	£1.7880	£21.64

Surface water drainage rates

Band	Chargeable area in m ² (all figures are inclusive)	<500 m ³	500 – 50,000 m ³
Band 1	Up to 20	£28.90	£30.38
Band 2	21 - 99	£66.36	£69.75
Band 3	100 - 199	£134.09	£140.94
Band 4	200 - 299	£209.76	£220.47
Band 5	300 - 499	£323.27	£339.77
Band 6	500 - 749	£493.53	£518.72
Band 7	750 - 999	£682.71	£717.56
Band 8	1,000 - 1,499	£966.47	£1,015.81

Band 9	1,500 - 1,999	£1,344.84	£1,413.50
Band 10	2,000 - 3,999	£2,290.73	£2,407.68
Band 11	4,000 - 7,499	£4,371.71	£4,594.88
Band 12	7,500 - 9,999	£6,641.86	£6,980.93
Band 13	10,000 - 14,999	£9,479.56	£9,963.49
Band 14	15,000 - 19,999	£13,263.15	£13,940.23
Band 15	20,000 - 24,999	£17,046.73	£17,916.97
Band 16	25,000 - 29,999	£20,830.32	£21,893.71
Band 17	30,000 - 34,999	£24,613.91	£25,870.46
Band 18	35,000 - 39,999	£28,397.49	£29,847.19
Band 19	40,000 - 44,999	£32,181.08	£33,823.93
Band 20	45,000 - 49,999	£35,964.67	£37,800.67
Band 21	50,000 - 99,999	£56,774.42	£59,672.75
Band 22	Over 100,000	£132,446.19	£139,207.57
Band T	Transitional band	£1,204.55	£1,266.04

Unmetered wastewater rates

These rates relate to default customers where Severn Trent Water is the wastewater wholesaler.

Variable rates			Fixed rates			
Charging zone	Wastewater and surface water	Wastewater only	Site charge	Wastewater	Surface water	Highway drainage
Zone 7	£1.4128	£1.1584	£58.70	£29.27	£29.27	£20.59
Zone 8	£1.3263	£1.0877	£0.00	£87.97	£29.27	£20.59

South West rates

These rates relate to default customers where South West Water is the wholesaler.

Metered rates

Water rates

Consumption banding	CMOS tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
< 500 m ³	MW_Standard	0	£70.14	£3.1562	£0.00
		22	£102.83	£3.1562	£31.24
		28	£131.60	£3.1562	£58.73
		42	£157.16	£3.1562	£83.15
		65	£235.88	£3.1562	£158.37
		80	£254.45	£3.1562	£176.11
		100	£273.01	£3.1562	£193.85
		>100	£291.80	£3.1562	£211.80
500-50,000 m ³	MW_Standard_G2	0	£0.00	£3.2570	£0.00
		22	£33.73	£3.2570	£31.24
		28	£63.42	£3.2570	£58.73
		42	£89.80	£3.2570	£83.15
		65	£171.03	£3.2570	£158.37
		80	£190.19	£3.2570	£176.11
		100	£209.35	£3.2570	£193.85
		>100	£228.74	£3.2570	£211.80

Wastewater rates - with surface water drainage (SWD)

Consumption banding	CMOS tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
< 500 m ³	MS_Standard	0	£58.70	£6.0903	£0.00
		22	£107.45	£6.0903	£46.58
		28	£121.50	£6.0903	£60.01
		42	£135.23	£6.0903	£73.13
		65	£177.41	£6.0903	£113.43
		80	£191.16	£6.0903	£126.57
		100	£205.23	£6.0903	£140.01
		>100	£219.28	£6.0903	£153.44
500-50,000 m ³	MS_Standard_G2	0	£0.00	£6.4012	£0.00
		22	£51.23	£6.4012	£46.58
		28	£66.01	£6.4012	£60.01
		42	£80.45	£6.4012	£73.13
		65	£124.77	£6.4012	£113.43
		80	£139.23	£6.4012	£126.57
		100	£154.01	£6.4012	£140.01
		>100	£168.78	£6.4012	£153.44

Metered wastewater rates - without surface water drainage (SWD)

Consumption banding	CMOS tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
< 500 m ³	MS_Standard	0	£58.70	£4.3180	£0.00
		22	£72.64	£4.3180	£13.32
		28	£86.69	£4.3180	£26.75
		42	£100.42	£4.3180	£39.87
		65	£142.60	£4.3180	£80.17
		80	£156.35	£4.3180	£93.31
		100	£170.42	£4.3180	£106.75
		>100	£184.47	£4.3180	£120.18
500-50,000 m ³	MS_Standard_G2	0	£0.00	£4.5384	£0.00
		22	£14.65	£4.5384	£13.32
		28	£29.42	£4.5384	£26.75
		42	£43.85	£4.5384	£39.87
		65	£88.18	£4.5384	£80.17
		80	£102.64	£4.5384	£93.31
		100	£117.42	£4.5384	£106.75
		>100	£132.19	£4.5384	£120.18

Unmeasured rates

Unmeasured water rates

	Service	Fixed annual	Variable per £ RV
Standard unmetered	Water only	£273.14	£3.1495
Churches	Water only	£273.14	£3.1495
Lock-up garages	Water only	£69.62	£3.1495
Troughs	Water only	£952.24	£0.0000
Standard unmetered	Dual	£273.14	£3.1495
Churches	Dual	£273.14	£3.1495
Lock-up garages	Dual	£69.62	£3.1495

Unmeasured wastewater rates

	Fixed annual	Variable per £ RV
Standard Unmetered - SWD	£258.26	£6.7225
Standard Unmetered - No SWD	£223.45	£4.9502
SWD Only	£142.38	£0.0000
HD Only	£58.70	£1.7673

Assessed water

CMOS tariff	Fixed annual	Variable per assessed m ³
AW_One	£145.05	
AW_Two	£231.40	
AW_Three	£317.76	
Banded_Water	£91.39	£3.1562

Assessed sewerage

CMOS tariff	Fixed annual	Variable per assessed m ³
AS_One	£205.80	
AS_Two	£352.91	
AS_Three	£500.02	
Banded_Wastewater_inc_SWD	£107.45	£4.9040
Banded_Wastewater_exc_SWD	£72.64	£3.1317

Large User Tariff (LUT) rates

Please note that only one of these rates will apply to your consumption and is based on consumption at a single site. This rate must have been pre-selected prior to 1st April 2026.

LUT water rates - HW1

Wholesale tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
HW11	0	£25,296.90	£2.4490	£0.00
HW11	22	£25,328.14	£2.4490	£31.24
HW11	28	£25,355.63	£2.4490	£58.73
HW11	42	£25,380.05	£2.4490	£83.15
HW11	65	£25,455.27	£2.4490	£158.37
HW11	80	£25,473.01	£2.4490	£176.11
HW11	100	£25,490.75	£2.4490	£193.85
HW11	999	£25,508.70	£2.4490	£211.80

LUT water rates - HW2

Wholesale Tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
HW22	0	£44,430.96	£2.2576	£0.00
HW22	22	£44,462.20	£2.2576	£31.24
HW22	28	£44,489.69	£2.2576	£58.73
HW22	42	£44,514.11	£2.2576	£83.15
HW22	65	£44,589.33	£2.2576	£158.37
HW22	80	£44,607.07	£2.2576	£176.11
HW22	100	£44,624.81	£2.2576	£193.85
HW22	999	£44,642.76	£2.2576	£211.80

LUT water rates - HW3

Wholesale tariff	Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
HW33	0	£103,952.08	£1.8609	£0.00
HW33	22	£103,983.32	£1.8609	£31.24
HW33	28	£104,010.81	£1.8609	£58.73
HW33	42	£104,035.23	£1.8609	£83.15
HW33	65	£104,110.45	£1.8609	£158.37
HW33	80	£104,128.19	£1.8609	£176.11
HW33	100	£104,145.93	£1.8609	£193.85
HW33	999	£104,163.88	£1.8609	£211.80

Please note that only one of these rates will apply to your consumption and is based on consumption at a single site. This rate must have been pre-selected prior to 1st April 2026.

LUT sewerage rates - with surface water drainage (SWD) – standard

Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
0	£0.00	£6.1684	£0.00
22	£49.37	£6.1684	£49.37
28	£63.61	£6.1684	£63.61
42	£77.51	£6.1684	£77.51
65	£120.23	£6.1684	£120.23
80	£134.16	£6.1684	£134.16
100	£148.41	£6.1684	£148.41
999	£162.64	£6.1684	£162.64

LUT sewerage rates - with surface water drainage (SWD) - HS1

Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
0	£193,327.04	£3.6737	£0.00
22	£193,341.15	£3.6737	£49.37
28	£193,355.39	£3.6737	£63.61
42	£193,369.30	£3.6737	£77.51
65	£193,412.02	£3.6737	£120.23
80	£193,425.94	£3.6737	£134.16
100	£193,440.19	£3.6737	£148.41
999	£193,454.43	£3.6737	£162.64

LUT sewerage rates - with surface water drainage (SWD) - HS2

Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
0	£202,987.88	£3.5770	£0.00
22	£203,001.99	£3.5770	£49.37
28	£203,016.23	£3.5770	£63.61
42	£203,030.14	£3.5770	£77.51
65	£203,072.86	£3.5770	£120.23
80	£203,086.78	£3.5770	£134.16
100	£203,101.03	£3.5770	£148.41
999	£203,115.27	£3.5770	£162.64

Please note that only one of these rates will apply to your consumption and is based on consumption at a single site. This rate must have been pre-selected prior to 1st April 2026.

LUT sewerage - without surface water drainage (SWD) – standard

Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
0	£0.00	£4.3734	£0.00
22	£14.11	£4.3734	£14.11
28	£28.35	£4.3734	£28.35
42	£42.26	£4.3734	£42.26
65	£84.98	£4.3734	£84.98
80	£98.90	£4.3734	£98.90
100	£113.15	£4.3734	£113.15
999	£127.39	£4.3734	£127.39

LUT sewerage - without surface water drainage (SWD) - HS1

Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
0	£13,826.64	£3.6737	£0.00
22	£13,840.75	£3.6737	£14.11
28	£13,854.99	£3.6737	£28.35
42	£13,868.90	£3.6737	£42.26
65	£13,911.62	£3.6737	£84.98
80	£13,925.54	£3.6737	£98.90
100	£13,939.79	£3.6737	£113.15
999	£13,954.03	£3.6737	£127.39

LUT sewerage - without surface water drainage (SWD) - HS2

Max meter size	Fixed annual	Variable per m ³	Fixed charge per additional meter
0	£23,487.48	£3.5770	£0.00
22	£23,501.59	£3.5770	£14.11
28	£23,515.83	£3.5770	£28.35
42	£23,529.74	£3.5770	£42.26
65	£23,572.46	£3.5770	£84.98
80	£23,586.38	£3.5770	£98.90
100	£23,600.63	£3.5770	£113.15
999	£23,614.87	£3.5770	£127.39

How we calculate your trade effluent rates

To calculate your rates, we apply the Mogden Formula:

The variable rate for trade effluent = R Rate + [V Rate or M Rate*] + [B Rate x (Ot/Os**)] + [S Rate x (St/ Ss**)] + Retail Charge.

*M rate is applied where the effluent is discharged into the sea, for all other customers the V rate is applied.

**Ot and St refer to customer-specific strengths, Os and Ss refer to standard strengths.

Trade effluent rates

For HTE1 and HTE2 tariffs a fixed charge of £15 per annum and £18.75 per bill applies.

Minimum charge	£405.72
Exemption certificate	£139.78

Variable Retail Charges for SPIDs under 500m³ consumption are set according to whether the DPID has strengths above or below the standard strengths below:

Standard strengths	
COD (Os)	744
Suspended Solids (Ss)	449

Retail charge	Per m ³
Above average strengths	£0.1778
Below average strengths	£0.0713

Variable Retail Charges for SPIDs between 500 m³ and 50,000 m³ consumption are calculated as 10% of the variable wholesale rate.

Variable Retail Charges for SPIDs over 50,000 m³ are calculated as 6% of the variable wholesale rate.

Wholesale charge	Per m ³
R Rate	£0.7806
HTE1 R Rate > 50 ML	£0.6713
HTE2 R Rate > 100 ML	£0.5925
V Rate	£0.7506
M Rate	£0.1030
B Rate	£1.4834
S Rate	£0.8049

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