

1950.20 **Schedule of Rates, Fees and Charges.**

(a) This schedule sets forth the rates, fees and other charges applicable to the provision of water supply, wastewater and related services by the Niagara Falls Water Board to all property owners, users and other persons during the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. All property owners, users and other persons who receive services from the water board shall pay to the water board the rates, fees and charges set forth in this schedule.

(b) The following rates shall be charged and collected for the use of water within the city, supplied by the water board as hereby fixed and established:

First 20,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$2.79 per 100 cu. ft.

Next succeeding 60,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$2.42 per 100 cu. ft.

Next succeeding 120,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$2.05 per 100 cu. ft.

Over 200,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$1.70 per 100 cu. ft.

The minimum charge for water consumed in any premises within the city for any quarter or portion thereof shall not be less than \$36.27.

(c) The following rates shall be charged and collected for the use of water outside the city for residential and commercial purposes supplied by the water board as hereby fixed and established:

First 20,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$7.62 per 100 cu. ft.

Next 60,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$6.65 per 100 cu. ft.

Next succeeding 120,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$5.54 per 100 cu. ft.

Over 200,000 cu. ft. per quarter, \$4.66 per 100 cu. ft.

The minimum charge for water consumed in any premises located outside the city for domestic purposes for any quarter or portion thereof shall not be less than \$99.06

(d) Water used for testing fire hoses, filling tanks, swimming pools, testing sprinkler systems, and like use shall be billed at the highest residential unit rate enumerated in section 1950.20(b) above.. The amount used may be either estimated in accordance with the size of the pipe through which taken at the pressure furnished, or determined by the use of a temporary meter rented to the user by the water board. The use of the latter method shall be at the discretion of the director and may require a refundable deposit.

(e) Use of hydrant for any purpose whatsoever shall be subject to a rental charge of one dollar and 50 cents (\$1.50) per day or partial day.

(f) The cost of hydrant use will include a fee of thirty-five (\$35.00) for backflow device certification, payable at the time of hydrant use application. In addition, daily hydrant and meter rental rates and security deposit amounts shall be established by the director based upon the real cost to the water board.

(g) In addition to the above schedule of rates for water consumed there shall be assessed a demand charge for each user's meter as set forth below.

<u>Size and Type</u>	<u>Charge Per Quarter</u>
Under 1" Disc	\$2.80
1" Disc	\$6.99

2" Disc	\$10.07
2" Compound	\$16.79
3" Compound	\$32.17
4" Compound	\$47.56
6" Compound	\$78.61
8" Compound	\$94.00
10" Compound	\$109.38
12" Compound	\$126.17

(h) The rates set forth in section 2 herein, however, shall not apply to any user of water with whom there is now outstanding a valid and binding contract with the city and/or water board to supply water at a rate different than the rates stated in this Schedule, or to users obtaining water service from the Village of LaSalle prior to May 4, 1927.

(i) In the event the water board or the director terminates water supply service to any property owner or user, such property owner, user or users located at such property shall pay a reactivation fee in the amount of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to the water board prior to the supply of water.

(j) There shall be small meter testing charge of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the bench testing of any meter less than two inches in size.

(k) An account reactivation charge of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be applied whenever a meter is re-installed and an account reactivated.

(l) The water board shall charge a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) final read fee for all owner requested meter reads.

(m) A hydrant flow test charge shall be applied whenever an owner, user or his agent requests a hydrant flow test.

(n) The annual availability charge for private fire protection service shall be:

<u>Diameter of Service Connection</u>	<u>Annual Fee</u>
2" or less	\$66.00
3"	\$95.00
4"	\$168.00
6"	\$380.00
8"	\$670.00
10"	\$1050.00
12"	\$1510.00

(o) A backflow submittal fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged for all backflow plans submitted to the water board for approval and forwarding to the state health department.

(p) There shall be a fifty dollar (\$50.00) inspection fee for each request for a cross-connection inspection.

(q) There shall be a thirty dollar (\$30.00) availability charge applied on a quarterly basis to all accounts inactivated pursuant to water board 21 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 1950.8 paragraph (m).

(r) In addition to the above rates, fees and charges, the following rates shall apply to all users with respect to sewer or wastewater services prescribed in the water board’s wastewater regulations 21 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 1960. There shall be two (2) user classes as provided in Part 1960, to wit:

Commercial/Small Industrial/Residential Users (CSIRU) and Significant Industrial Users (SIU).

(a) CSIRU

Sewer rates for the CSIRU class are determined by total metered water consumption in each quarter.

The schedule of quarterly charges for the CSIRU class shall be as follows:

SCHEDULE I

Minimum charge per quarter	\$45.59 with a usage allowance of up to 1,300 cubic feet
Additional usage in excess of 1,300 cubic feet	\$3.72 per 100 cubic feet

(b) SIU

1. CONVENTIONAL POLLUTANT PARAMETER CHARGES.

Sewer rates for the SIU class each quarter are based on measured quantities of the actual discharge parameters: flow, suspended solids and soluble organic carbon. Such determination shall be made by the water board and shall be based upon five (5) representative 24-hour composite samples taken quarterly, at such locations as are adequate to provide proper representation.

The schedule of charges for conventional pollutant parameters shall be as follows:

SCHEDULE II

<u>POLLUTANT PARAMETERS</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Flow	\$2,626.30 per million gallons
Suspended Solids	\$0..87 per pound
Soluble Organic Carbon	\$1.50 per pound

2. SUBSTANCES OF CONCERN PARAMETER CHARGES.

SIU's, who have wastewater discharge permits which limit any substance of concern listed in Schedule III below, will be billed for discharge of these substances based on the unit rates shown in Schedule III. Discharge loading for billing purposes shall be determined by arithmetic average of the last six acceptable self-monitoring results. At the option

of the SIU, increased self-monitoring can be performed. For billing purposes, when six (6) or more acceptable results are obtained over the three (3) month billing period, all such results shall be used in the computation of the arithmetic average, with a requirement that there be at least two (2) sample results for each month. Average discharge loadings will then be multiplied by the corresponding unit rates from Schedule III to obtain total charges per quarter for each substance of concern listed in the SIU's wastewater discharge permit. All substances of concern charges will be added to the charges for conventional parameters, as specified above, to compute the total quarterly sewer rate.

SCHEDULE III

SUBSTANCES OF CONCERN UNIT CHARGES

<u>PARAMETERS</u>	<u>UNIT RATE</u>
<u>Benzene</u>	<u>\$297.65 per pound</u>
<u>Chloroform</u>	<u>\$53.00 per pound</u>
<u>Dichloroethylenes</u>	<u>\$323.85 per pound</u>
<u>Toluene</u>	<u>\$14.35 per pound</u>
<u>Trichloroethanes</u>	<u>\$67.30 per pound</u>
<u>Trichloroethylene</u>	<u>\$85.90 per pound</u>
<u>Vinyl Chloride</u>	<u>\$43.00 per pound</u>
<u>Monochlorotoluenes</u>	<u>\$2.90 per pound</u>
<u>Tetrachloroethylene</u>	<u>\$40.10 per pound</u>
<u>Total Phenols</u>	<u>\$6.55 per pound</u>

3. BILLING.

SIU charges shall be billed on a monthly basis by the water board. The first and second monthly billings in each quarter shall be estimated and shall be one-third (1/3) of

the total billing in the immediately preceding quarter. The third monthly bill in each quarter shall be based upon actual discharge quantities for that quarter and shall reflect adjustments for the estimated billings in that quarter.

(s) Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, all terms contained herein shall have the meanings set forth in the regulations adopted by the water board 21 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 1950 and 1960, as applicable.