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TOWN OF BATH (Berkeley Springs), a municipal corporation  
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BERKELEY SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA  
RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FURNISHING  
WATER  
at Berkeley Springs and vicinity, Morgan County, West Virginia  
Filed with THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF  
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Title

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- I. Rules and Regulations for the Government of Water Utilities, adopted by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, now in effect, and all amendments there to and modifications thereof hereafter made by said Commission.
- II. Residences which have been converted into two or more separate living quarters will be supplied with service through separate meters; provided, however, that in instances where this is impracticable such residences may be supplied with service through a single meter and the owner or lessor of the residence will be billed under the applicable residential service schedule, with billing blocks increase in proportion to the number of living quarters served.
- III. The plumbing on the premises of all new customers be equipped with a shut off valve. In the event the Town is required to tum off the water to a customer not having a shut-off valve, service will not be resumed until the customer has installed a shut-off valve.

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MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY

On apartment buildings, or other multiple occupancy buildings, each family or business unit shall be required to pay not less than the minimum monthly charge herein established for a five-eighths inch meter. Motels and hotels shall pay according to the size of meter installed.

TRAILER COURTS

House trailer courts shall be provided with a master meter. No bill shall be rendered for less than the minimum bill herein established for a five-eighths inch meter, multiplied by the number of units situated on the court site at the time the meter is read or the actual charge for the size meter installed, whichever is greater. House trailer (as used hereinabove) shall include both mobile and immobile units.

House trailers, either mobile or immobile, located on sites other than a park or court, shall be billed in the same manner as any other family or business unit.

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(O) Indicates an Omission

APPLICABILITY

Applicable within the entire territory served.

AVAILABILITY

Available for general domestic, commercial, industrial and sale for resale service.

RATES

(I)	First	2,000 gallons used per month	\$19.36 per 1,000 gallons
(I)	Next	3,000 gallons used per month	\$13.99 per 1,000 gallons
(I,C)	Next	50,000 gallons used per month	\$11.20 per 1,000 gallons
(I,C)	All Over	55,000 gallons used per month	\$5.66 per 1,000 gallons
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MINIMUM CHARGE

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			Equivalent Gallons	
(I)	5/8	inch meter	\$38.72 per month	2,000
(I)	3/4	inch meter	\$60.53 per month	3,385
(I)	1	inch meter	\$100.90 per month	6,439
(I)	1 1/2	inch meter	\$201.75 per month	15,070
(I)	2	inch meter	\$322.80 per month	25,448
(I)	3	inch meter	\$605.25 per month	49,640
(I)	4	inch meter	\$1,008.75 per month	117,677
(I)	6	inch meter	\$2,017.50 per month	344,790
(I)	8	inch meter	\$3,228.00 per month	679,877

RETURNED CHECK CHARGE

A service charge equal to the actual bank fee assessed to the Utility or a maximum of \$25.00 will be imposed upon any customer whose check for payment of charges is returned by their bank due to insufficient funds.

- (O) Indicates an omission
- (I) Indicates an increase
- (C) Indicates a change in text

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

Where connections, hydrants, sprinklers, etc. on property are maintained by customer:

(I)	1-inch Service Line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or hose connections	\$15.63 per month
(I)	2-inch Service Line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or hose connections	\$20.83 per month
(I)	3-inch Service Line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or hose connections	\$32.29 per month
(I)	4-inch Service Line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or hose connections	\$43.75 per month
(I)	6-inch Service Line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or hose connections	\$56.25 per month
(I)	8-inch Service Line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or hose connections	\$68.75 per month

DELAYED PAYMENT PENALTY

The above tariff is net. On all accounts not paid in full when due, a penalty in the amount of ten percent (10%) will be added to the net current amount unpaid. This delayed payment penalty is not interest and is to be collected only once for each bill where it is appropriate.

(C) WATER DISCONNECT-RECONNECT

(N,C,I) Whenever water service has been disconnected for any reason, a disconnection fee of \$35.00 shall be charged. Whenever water service which has been previously disconnected for any reason is reconnected, a reconnection fee of \$35.00 shall be charged. A \$35.00 reconnection fee will be assessed for each occurrence where water service is restored after being terminated for nonpayment.

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- (I) Indicates an increase
- (N) Indicates new rates or regulations
- (C) Indicates change in text or regulations

(N) EQUIPMENT DAMAGE AND TAMPERING

The property owner will be held responsible for any damage to, or otherwise tampering with, the utility's water system, which includes, but is not limited to, all piping and meters used and useful in providing water service and all appurtenances thereof. Damaging and/or tampering with the utility's water system is prohibited under West Virginia Code §61-3-45. Violators shall be subject to potential termination of service, fines and penalties not to exceed \$2,000.00, in addition to the replacement cost, inclusive of material and labor, for damaged equipment.

TAP FEE

The following charge of \$850.00 is to be made whenever the utility installs a 5/8" or 3/4" new tap to serve an applicant. Time and material for any tap of 1" or greater will be charged to serve an applicant.

A tap fee of \$850.00 will be charged to customers who apply for service outside of a certificate proceeding before the Commission for each new tap to the system.

(N) METER TESTING FEE

A charge of \$35.00 will be applied for any meter test requested by the customer.

(I,C) LEAK ADJUSTMENT

\$2.34 per 1,000 gallons is to be used when the bill reflects unusual consumption in excess of 200% of the customer's historical usage that can be attributed to leakage on the customer's side of the meter.

(I) SECURITY DEPOSITS

\$75.00 or two-twelfths (2/12) of the average annual usage of the applicant's specific customer class, whichever is greater.

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- (I) Indicates an increase in rates

**MUNICIPAL EXCISE TAX SURCHARGE**

The municipality listed below having imposed a public utility tax computed on the basis of two (2) percent of the revenues from water sales by the Berkeley Springs Water Works within the corporate limits of such municipality, said tax be billed as a “surcharge” to the customers receiving service within said corporate limits.

The water utility is required to collect the utility tax pursuant to West Virginia Code 8-13-5a.

Customers receiving water service within the corporate limits of the specified municipality shall pay a surcharge based on the following surcharge rates:

Municipality	Local Tax Rate	Surcharge Rate
Town of Bath	2%	

(N) CAPACITY CAPITAL COST FEE

In addition to a Tap Fee, a Capacity Capital Cost Fee shall apply to each new connection to the Utility's water system, as set forth below:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Residential Equivalent Gallons/Day</u>	<u>Usage Equivalent</u>	<u>Cost/Usage Equivalent 1 EDU = \$1,500</u>
<u>Residential Property</u>			
Single family detached	150/unit	1.0/unit	\$1,500
Single family attached	150/unit	1.0/unit	\$1,500
Apartments	150/unit	1.0/unit	\$1,500
Mobile Home	150/unit	1.0/unit	\$1,500
Condominium	150/unit	1.0/unit	\$1,500
Bed and Breakfast	150/unit	1.0/unit	\$1,500
<u>Industrial Property</u>			
General Industry	15/person/shift	0.1/person/shift	\$ 150
Warehouse	15/employee	0.1/employee	\$ 150
<u>Institutional Property</u>			
Hospital	250/bed	1.67/bed	\$2,505
Nursing Homes	150/bed	1/bed	\$1,500
Others	75/person	0.5/person	\$ 750
Churches with kitchen	8/member	0.05/member	\$ 75
Churches without kitchen	2/member	0.013/member	\$ 20
<u>School Property</u>			
Day, no cafeteria	15/pupil	0.1/pupil	\$ 150
Day with cafeteria	18/pupil	0.12/pupil	\$ 180
Day with cafeteria & showers	20/pupil	0.133/pupil	\$ 200
Boarding	75/pupil	0.5/pupil	\$ 750
Dormitory	75/student space	0.5/pupil	\$ 750

(N) Indicates new rates or regulations (entire page)

(N) CAPACITY CAPITAL COST FEE (Continued)

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Residential Equivalent Gallons/Day</u>	<u>Usage Equivalent</u>	<u>Cost/Usage Equivalent 1 EDU = \$1,500</u>
<u>Commercial Property</u>			
Service Station	500/set of pumps	3.33/set of pumps	\$4,995
Shopping Center	16/100 sf of sales	0.12/100 sf of sales	\$ 180
Swimming Pool	10/swimmer	0.067/swimmer design	\$ 100
Theatre	3/seat	0.02/seat	\$ 30
Fast Food Restaurant	35/seat	0.23/seat	\$ 345
Bowling Alley	200/alley	1.33/alley	\$1,995
Food Service	32/seat	0.213/seat	\$ 320
Laundry Self Service	250/washer	1.67/washer	\$2,505
Bar & Cocktail Lounge	2/seat	0.013/seat	\$ 195
Tavern – little or no food	2/seat	0.013/seat	\$ 195
Retail Stores	400/restroom	2.67/restroom	\$4,005
Hotel/Motel	120/room	0.8/room	\$1,200

1 Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) = 150 gallons per day

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