



# Utility Rates

May 1, 2020

## RESIDENTIAL UTILITY RATES

### ELECTRIC

	"E" / "N" – Effective May 1, 2020	
<b>1.1</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>	
	Service Charge	\$0.40010 per day
	Administration Charge	\$0.11680 per day
	Energy Charge	\$0.05607 per kWh
	Environmental Conservation Charge	\$0.00740 per kWh
	- additional charge for energy in excess of 950 kWhs	
	Facilities Usage	\$0.02060 per kWh
	Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
	Going Green Charge	\$0.00400 per kWh
	MCAF* fixed	\$0.02720 per day
	MCAF* variable	\$0.00140 per kWh
	Energy Charge: Fixed Rate Option	\$0.06800 per kWh
<b>E</b>	<i>Within the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat</i>	
<b>N</b>	<i>Outside the corporate boundaries of the City of Medicine Hat</i>	

### NATURAL GAS

	Effective May 1, 2020	
<b>G11A, G12A &amp; G13A</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>	
	Service Charge	\$0.7370 per day
	Administration Charge	\$0.1190 per day
	Commodity Charge	\$2.2720 per GJ
	Environmental Conservation Charge	\$0.9000 per GJ
	- additional charge for energy in excess of 19 GJ per month	
	Delivery Charge	\$1.35100 per GJ
	Carbon Levy	\$1.57620 per GJ
	MCAF* fixed	\$0.05601 per day
	MCAF* variable	\$0.10267 per GJ
	Commodity Charge: Fixed Rate Option	\$3.50 per GJ

### WATER

	Effective January 1, 2020	
<b>W10</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>	
<b>W18</b>	Seasonal Service	
<b>W40</b>	Apartments/ Multi-Unit Dwellings	
	Base rate	\$0.9250 per day
	In addition to the base rate:	
	Consumption	\$1.1300 per m3

The conversion factor between imperial and metric measurement is 1 m3 = 219.97 imperial gallons

### SOLID WASTE

	Effective January 1, 2020	
<b>SW11</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>	
	Service Charge	\$0.5381 per day/unit
<b>SW31</b>	<b>WASTE DIVERSION</b>	
	Service Charge	\$0.0785 per day
<b>SW41</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING PROGRAM</b>	
		\$0.2466 per day

### SEWER

	Effective January 1, 2020	
<b>S10</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS</b>	
	Service Charge	\$1.5658 per day

### MEDICINE HAT WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY (LANDFILL)

	Effective January 1, 2020	
	Minimum Tipping Fee	\$8.00 per vehicle

\*MCAF: Municipal Consent & Access Fee applies to Medicine Hat rates only

# OTHER UTILITY RATES

## ELECTRIC

"E" / "N" - Effective May 1, 2020	
<b>2.1 FARM SERVICES</b>	
Service Charge	\$0.59440 per day
Administration Charge	\$0.11700 per day
Energy Charge	\$0.05607 per kWh
Facilities Usage	\$0.00940 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
Going Green Charge	\$0.00400 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.04041 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.00063 per kWh
<b>3.1 SMALL COMMERCIAL</b>	
Service Charge	\$0.59310 per day
Administration Charge	\$0.12200 per day
Energy Charge	\$0.05607 per kWh
Facilities Usage	\$0.01910 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
Going Green Charge	\$0.00400 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.04033 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.00129 per kWh
<b>3.2 COMMERCIAL TEMPORARY SERVICES</b>	
Same rate as 3.1	
<b>3.3 MEDIUM COMMERCIAL</b>	
Service Charge	\$2.50060 per day
Administration Charge	\$1.00380 per day
Demand Charge	\$5.14 per kva
Energy Charge	\$0.05607 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
Going Green Charge	\$0.00400 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.17004 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.34952 per kva
<b>3.4 COMMERCIAL TEMPORARY SERVICES</b>	
Same rate as 3.3	
<b>3.5 COMMERCIAL IRRIGATION SERVICES</b>	
Same rate as 3.1	
<b>3.6 COMMERCIAL IRRIGATION SERVICES</b>	
Same rate as 3.3	
<b>4.1 LARGE COMMERCIAL – PRIMARY</b>	
Service Charge	\$2.42670 per day
Administration Charge	\$13.5085 per day
Demand Charge	\$4.65 per kva
Energy Charge (Apr)	\$0.04892 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.16501 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.31620 per kva
<b>5.1 INDUSTRIAL - PRIMARY</b>	
Service Charge	\$2.34370 per day
Administration Charge	\$63.2483 per day
Demand Charge	\$4.61 per kva
Energy Charge (Apr)	\$0.04892 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.15937 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.31348 per kva

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<b>6.1 UNMETERED SERVICE</b>	
Service Charge	\$0.27700 per day
Administration Charge	\$0.15540 per day
Energy Charge	\$0.05607 per kWh
Facilities Usage	\$0.01170 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.01883 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.00079 per kWh
<b>7.0 RENTAL LIGHTING SERVICES</b>	
Service Charge	\$0.16290 per day
Administration Charge	\$0.12440 per day
Energy Charge	\$0.05607 per kWh
Facilities Usage	\$0.00830 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.01107 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.00056 per kWh
<b>8.0 STREET LIGHTING SERVICES</b>	
Service Charge	\$0.15230 per day
Administration Charge	\$0.01520 per day
Energy Charge (Apr)	\$0.04892 per kWh
Facilities Usage	\$0.00740 per kWh
Capacity Charge	\$0.02459 per kWh
MCAF* fixed	\$0.01035 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.0005 per kWh
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## NATURAL GAS

Effective May 1, 2020	
<b>G31A, G32A &amp; G33A</b>	<b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER</b>
<b>G41A &amp; G42A</b>	<b>NON-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE CLASS A</b>
Service Charge	\$0.7370 per day
Administration Charge	\$0.1190 per day
Commodity Charge	\$2.2720 per GJ
Delivery Charge	\$1.3510 per GJ
Carbon Levy	\$1.5762 per GJ
MCAF* fixed	\$0.05601 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.10267 per GJ
<b>G31B, G32B &amp; G33B</b>	<b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER</b>
<b>G41B &amp; G42B</b>	<b>NON-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE RATE CLASS B</b>
Service Charge	\$18.00 per day
Administration Charge	\$3.4740 per day
Commodity Charge	\$2.2720 per GJ
Delivery Charge	\$0.6180 per GJ
Carbon Levy	\$1.5762 per GJ
MCAF* fixed	\$1.36800 per day
MCAF* variable	\$0.04696 per GJ

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## WATER

Effective January 1, 2020		
<b>COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS</b>		
	Base rate	\$0.9250 per day
	In addition to the base rate:	
	Consumption	
<b>W18</b>	Seasonal Service	\$1.1300 per m3
<b>W20</b>	Commercial Water rate	\$1.1300 per m3
<b>W30</b>	Agricultural (Greenhouse)	\$1.1300 per m3
<b>W50</b>	Manufacturing	\$1.1300 per m3
<b>W60</b>	Schools	\$1.1300 per m3
<b>W70</b>	Institutional facilities (Hospital, assisted living / long term care)	\$1.1300 per m3
<b>W24</b>	Temporary Water Use	
	Flat Rate	\$2.0462 per day
<b>W31</b>	Aquifer	
	Consumption	\$0.3778 per m3
<i>The conversion factor between imperial and metric measurement is 1 m3 = 219.97 imperial gallons</i>		
<b>FH-90</b>	Fire Hydrants (Private or Rental)	
	Per Hydrant	\$0.5764 per day
<b>SP02-SP12</b>	Fire Sprinkler Systems	
	2 inch up to 12 inch line	\$0.3132 - \$0.9751 per day

## SEWER

Effective January 1, 2020		
<b>S12</b>	<b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS</b>	
	Minimum daily charge	\$1.5658
	Based on water consumption	\$1.6355 per m3
<i>Commercial sewer charges are based on metered water consumption.</i>		
<i>Minimum monthly billing is the daily service charge.</i>		

## SOLID WASTE

Effective January 1, 2020		
<b>SW12</b>	<b>CENTRALIZED PICKUP</b>	
	Daily Charge	\$0.4516 per unit/day
<b>SW13</b>	<b>COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL – AUTOMATED</b>	
	Automated cart; 1 pick-up per week	\$0.8358 per day
<b>SW1.5</b>	Commercial 1.5 Cubic Yard Bin	
	1 pick-up per week	\$1.6864 per bin /day
<b>SW3.0</b>	Commercial 3 Cubic Yard Bin	
	1 pick-up per week	\$3.3729 per bin/ day
	Extra Pick up Request	
	Each request	\$25.65 per bin/ pick up
<b>SW31</b>	<b>WASTE DIVERSION</b>	
	Service Charge	\$0.0785 per day
<b>SW14</b>	Commercial Cardboard	\$1.0060 per day
	3 cubic yard bin; 1 pick-up per week	
<b>SW97</b>	Commercial Cardboard - Call in basis	
	Call in or extra pick up request	\$10.40 per pick up

## MEDICINE HAT WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY (LANDFILL)

Effective January 1, 2020		
	Basic Sanitary waste (General Disposal Fee)	\$80.00 per tonne
	Non-residential Yard waste	\$25.00 per tonne
	Clean Drywall	\$25.00 per tonne
	Clean Wood	\$25.00 per tonne
	Metal	\$25.00 per tonne
	Appliances Containing Chlorofluorocarbon (CFC)	\$20.00 per item
	Asbestos	\$160/tonne plus site prep and burial*
	Bulky Items (mattress, sofa, etc)	\$15.00 /item

# UNDERSTANDING YOUR UTILITY STATEMENT CHARGES

The Utility Statement provides a summary section with the total charge for each service, as well as a detailed section that breaks out each Utility's charges.

## Service Charge (All Utilities):

A monthly charge associated with providing and maintaining utility service to a location. This charge includes installation and maintenance of wires, transformers, pipes, property taxes, buildings, vehicles and staff.

## Energy Conservation Charge (Electric and Gas):

Additional charge in excess of 950 kWhs and/or 19 GJ used per month. The money generated from the Energy Conservation Charge will fund renewable energy, resource conservation and education projects / programs.

## ELECTRIC UTILITY

### Administration Charge:

Covers costs of administering customer accounts including, billing, customer collections and customer inquiries. Also includes the cost of energy lost in distribution system lines.

### Energy Charge:

This charge covers the value of electricity used by the customer measured in kilowatt hours (kWh's).

### Facilities Usage (per kWh):

Customers are charged a fee for accessing the infrastructure or equipment of the Electric Utility to have electricity delivered. This charge covers the cost of emergency call-outs, facility and wire repairs, unscheduled maintenance of customer meters, customer locates, vehicle fuel and maintenance costs.

### Capacity Charge:

Contributes to the cost of generating capacity to supply CMH service area customers.

### Going Green:

Monthly fee for the purchase of wind generated electricity.

### Kilowatt Hour (kWh):

A quantitative measure of electric current flow equivalent to 1,000 watts being used continuously for a period of one hour.

### Municipal Consent and Access Fee (MCAF)

Your distributor pays a fee to the local government to use municipal land for power lines and substations or gas pipeline and infrastructure. The fee also gives your distributor the right to provide electricity or gas to your municipality and covers municipal taxes on property and land. The fee is shared by all customers in your municipality. Each local government sets the fee based on provincial law. Applies to Medicine Hat rates only.

### Carbon Levy

The carbon levy is a key part of the Climate Leadership Plan, Alberta's action plan on climate change. Pricing carbon pollution is the most cost-effective way to reduce the emissions that cause climate change. The carbon levy will be included in the price of all fuels that emit greenhouse gases when combusted. These include transportation and heating fuels such as diesel, gasoline, natural gas and propane. It will not apply directly to consumer purchases of electricity.

## GAS UTILITY

### Administration Charge:

Covers costs of administering customer accounts including billing, customer collections and customer inquiries. Also includes the cost of getting the gas (transportation fees) to the City's local distribution system and fees for gas storage.

### What are gas transportation fees?

These fees are to get the gas from where it originates (this can be hundreds of kilometers away from the City of Medicine Hat) to the City's distribution system (pipes).

### What are gas storage fees:

These are costs for the City to use a storage facility near Jenner, Alberta. In the summer months the City puts gas into storage to be saved for use in the winter months by our gas customers.

**Commodity Charge:** This charge covers the value of the natural gas used by a customer measured in gigajoules (GJ).

### Delivery Charge (per GJ):

Covers costs of emergency call-outs, facility and pipeline repairs, unscheduled maintenance of customer meters, customer locates, maintenance of odorant facilities, vehicle fuel and maintenance costs.

### Gigajoule (GJ):

One gigajoule (GJ) equals one billion joules (J). A gigajoule of natural gas is about 25.5 cubic metres at standard conditions. One gigajoule of natural gas is equal to 27 litres of fuel oil, 39 litres of propane, 26 litres of gasoline or 277 kilowatt hours of electricity.

## ENVIRONMENTAL UTILITIES

### Commodity Charge:

This charge covers the value of water used by the customer measured in cubic metres (m3)

### Residential Recycling Collection:

Covers the costs that are associated with the collection of recyclable material from residential customers. This includes supplying and maintaining the residential recycling carts and other administrative costs.

### Waste Diversion:

Covers the costs that are associated with the various City waste diversion programs such as depot recycling, yard waste collections, composting, electronic waste recycling, household hazardous waste recycling, paint recycling, tire recycling, used oil recycling, appliance recycling, battery recycling and compact fluorescent lights recycling.

### Cubic Metres (m3):

A metric unit of volume or capacity equal to 1000 litres.

# CUSTOMER INFORMATION

For more information and frequently asked questions, visit [www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca)

Information contained herein is for convenience only and is not a legal document. For verification, copies of the bylaws are available at the City Clerk Department in City Hall.

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Services supplied are ELECTRIC, GAS, WATER, WASTE DIVERSION, SEWER, AND SOLID WASTE (GARBAGE).

## METHODS OF PAYMENT

- Automated Bank Withdrawal (Electronic Funds Transfer) on actual balance or budget billing
- Telebanking
- Internet Banking
- In person at City Hall with cash, Interac or cheque
- By mail: City of Medicine Hat, 580 First St. SE, Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8E6
- At the Night Depository Box located at the west entrance City Hall

## MOVING

Please contact Customer Service at City Hall (529-8111) at least two working days prior to moving.

## TERMS OF PAYMENT

Total amount of Utility Statement is due and payable seven days after the statement date. Payment of current charges not received by the City by the Penalty Date will be subject to a penalty in accordance with City Bylaws. Failure to receive or loss of a Utility Statement cannot be accepted as a reason for non-payment or exemption from a penalty charge.

## UTILITY EMERGENCIES

For **AFTER HOURS** utility **EMERGENCIES** call:

Electric: 403.529.8260

Gas: 403.529.8191

Water / Sewer: 403.502.8042