Understanding Your New Water and Sewer Bill

Easier to read. More informative.

Account Summary

Information about the account including your Bill Number, Bill Date, and Account Number.

Due Date

Payment must be received by this date to avoid interest charges.

Meter Readings and Usage

The Previous and Current Read Dates mark the beginning and end of your billing cycle. The Previous and Current Meter Readings are the amount shown on the meter on those dates. The difference between these two reads is your current Usage, meaning how much water was used this billing period.

Charges

The four charges, in order, are your charge for water usage, charge for sewer service, your Base Charge for water, and your Base Charge for sewer. Base Charges help cover the costs to provide account services to our customers, including meters, meter reading, and billing. They also go toward the cost of maintaining water and sewer system infrastructure.

Your past water usage for previous billing periods. Usage is measured per 100 cubic feet of water used (100 cubic feet = 748 gallons).

Details of Current Charges

The various fees that make up the bill; any discounts that apply to the bill; and any other activities on the bill that month.

Amount Due

The amount that must be paid by the due date. Payment after this date will result in interest charges.

Right to Dispute

We are here to help. If you believe your bill is in error, please contact us so that we may review your bill. If your concern is not resolved, disputes must be submitted in writing before the due date and mailed to: Water Department, 17 Franey Road, Somerville, MA 02145.

Payment Slip

To pay by mail. detach and include the payment slip with your payment. To pay online, visit somervillema.gov/PayOnline.



Check Out the Back of Your Bill, Too!

You can now find the rate and tier structure, address change information, and how to register for AquaHawk on the back side of your new bill.

Contact Us

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