

Outdoor Water Use

If you water your lawn for 40 minutes, 2 times a day, 3 times a week, that is a general consumption of 34,384 gallons/bi-monthly.

Please note, presented example would only apply to water which is used through the irrigation system. This does NOT apply to water which is used in other indoor and outdoor areas.

Monthly billing calculations will vary.

How do I get an irrigation meter:

- ◆ Complete the paper application at the Permitting Office:
**330 W. Ponce De Leon
Decatur, GA 30030**
- ◆ Pay fee for irrigation meter
- ◆ Watershed completes installation from meter to the street within 4-8 weeks
- ◆ Customer employs contractor to complete installation from the meter to the residence

To find out more about irrigation meters, please call Planning & Sustainability at **(770) 414-2382**

Water Conservation Resources:

For 100 ways to conserve your water, visit:
www.wateruseitwisely.com

To learn about water conservation and ways you can pledge to use water wisely, visit:
www.mydropcounts.org




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Seasonal Water Usage Campaign


DeKalb County wants to remind you that Summer is right around the corner by providing information about water conservation and reducing costs associated with increased Summer usage.

Water Meter Only Example

 Current Water / Sewer Charges	\$527.78
Water 3/4 Inch Meter Billed Bi-Monthly	\$122.74
4,000 At \$2.16 Per Thousand Gallons=\$8.64	
16,000 At \$3.08 Per Thousand Gallons=\$49.28	
14,000 At \$4.63 Per Thousand Gallons=\$64.82	
Water Ready-To-Serve Charge 08005-344216-511	\$5.71
Sewer Ready-To-Serve Charge 08005-344242-511	\$13.77
Sewer Service - Based On: Water Service	\$385.56

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Water & Irrigation Meter Example

 Current Water / Sewer Charges	\$399.63
Irrigation 3/4 Inch Meter Billed Bi-Monthly	\$274.72
34,000 At \$8.08 Per Thousand Gallons=\$274.72	
Water Ready-To-Serve Charge 08005-344216-511	\$5.71
Water 3/4 Inch Meter Billed Bi-Monthly	\$20.34
4,000 At \$2.16 Per Thousand Gallons=\$8.64	
3,000 At \$3.08 Per Thousand Gallons=\$11.70	
Water Ready-To-Serve Charge 08005-344216-511	\$5.71
Sewer Ready-To-Serve Charge 08005-344242-511	\$13.77
Sewer Service - Based On: Water Service	\$79.38

**This is a difference of \$128.15 for one billing cycle and would be a savings of approximately \$768.90/year!
The savings could be even greater based on your actual outdoor water use!**

Did You Know?

- 💧 An average shower uses 2.1 gallons of water per minute
- 💧 Every toilet flush uses about 4 gallons of water in older toilets and about 2 gallons of water in low flow toilets. A low flow toilet averages a savings of 2,750 gallons per person/year
- 💧 Many irrigation timers have a manual, rain pause button to halt irrigation for a day or more
- 💧 A rain sensor can also be installed to have the irrigation automatically shut off if the soil is wet
- 💧 Average household water usage can be calculated with this interactive tool: <http://www.home-water-works.org/calculator>