



**EAST HANTS**

Dear Customer,

The East Hants Water Utility is applying to the Nova Scotia Regulatory & Appeals Board (NSRAB) for a water rate increase effective April 1, 2026, due to rising operating costs over the past seven years. If approved, the application will affect the water consumption charge, the quarterly base charge and the bulk water rate. Water rates were last reviewed in 2017, with the latest increase effective April 1, 2019. All meter sizes will be affected, including the 5/8" residential meters which are most common.

The NSRAB regulates water utilities under Nova Scotia's Public Utilities Act and will work with the Utility to hold a public hearing on February 18, 2026, at East Hants Council Chambers.  
Learn more at [nserbt.ca/nsrab](http://nserbt.ca/nsrab)

The East Hants website will be updated throughout the process.  
Learn more at [easthants.ca/water-rate-review](http://easthants.ca/water-rate-review)



## Current & Proposed Rates & Charges Table

Based on average annual consumption of 144 M<sup>3</sup>  
(Does not include Wastewater management fee)

	Current	Proposed		
	April '19	April '26	April '27	April '28
Base Rate 5/8" meter	47.00	47.37	48.04	48.65
Per cubic meter (M <sup>3</sup> )	2.71	3.39	3.74	3.76
Average Quarterly Bill	144.67	169.49	182.07	182.74
Average Annual Bill	578.68	677.96	728.28	730.96
Increase %		17.10%	7.40%	0.37%

## Bulk Water Consumption Rates (per cubic meter)

Current	Proposed		
April '19	April '26	April '27	April '28
3.07	7.92	7.71	7.87

## Other Proposed Quarterly Base Rate Charges

Meter Size	Current	Proposed		
	April '19	April '26	April '27	April '28
3/4"	69.01	69.47	70.47	71.39
1"	113.02	113.66	115.34	116.85
1.5"	223.05	224.15	227.50	230.51
2"	355.09	356.73	362.10	366.91
3"	707.18	710.27	721.02	730.62
4"	1094.24	1108.01	1124.81	1139.80
6"	N/A	2212.84	2246.45	2276.41

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