

Southwest Metropolitan Water and Sanitation District Fee Schedule
(Effective January 1, 2026)

Fire Hydrant Permits

Hydrant Use Fee: **\$100/month/hydrant**

A District Fire Hydrant Permit is required to use any hydrant located within District boundaries. There is one permit issued for each hydrant that is to be used. Permits are only valid for the time period specified on the permit.

In addition to the monthly fee, a **\$350.00** refundable damage deposit will be collected for **each** hydrant issued a permit. If the hydrant is damaged, this deposit will be ***forfeited*** and any additional costs will be invoiced.

A numbered fire hydrant use sign will be issued with each hydrant permit. If the sign is not returned to the District, the **\$350.00** damage deposit will be ***forfeited***.

- Inspections of all hydrants will be done prior to use and at the expiration date.
- Additional hydrants cannot be added to the original permit.
- Permits are issued for a minimum of a one-month time period and can be issued for multiple months up to a one year time period maximum.

Denver Water assesses a charge for all water withdrawn from any District-owned fire hydrant.

Sewer Tap Inspections & Fees (Current District Customers):

Only licensed contractors will be allowed to work on or adjacent to a District sewer main. Work requiring a license includes cured-in-place or any other internal sewer service lining process that extends through a sewer service to the District's sewer main.

All excavation activity on, or within five feet of an existing District-owned sewer main **MUST** be inspected by a designated District representative. You must call the District office to schedule an inspection a minimum of 24 hours before the desired inspection date.

1. Service Line Contractor License Processing Fee: **\$100**
2. Initial Inspection: No Charge
3. Subsequent inspections caused by contractor delays or failure to meet District standards during the initial inspection will be assessed a fee of **\$100.00**.
4. Any inspection conducted after business hours (M-F 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) or on scheduled District holidays will be assessed a fee of **\$250.00**.

Record Retrieval and Copying Charges

Records Retrieval: \$41.37 per hour after first hour

Copying Charge: \$0.25 per standard (8.5" x 11" or 8.5" x 14") page. All other copies charged at actual production cost.

Tap/Permit Administration:

The district assesses a **\$100** fee for processing the reassignment or modification of previously issued water and sewer taps.

Annexation into the District:

Annexation fee: **\$2,300 per acre or fraction thereof**

Administrative / Legal Charge: **\$3,000 deposit** which is applied to District costs for processing the annexation. The property owner is required to fully reimburse the District for all administrative and legal costs incurred to process the annexation. The District will invoice all costs exceeding the deposit and will reimburse any remaining funds upon completion of the project.

License to Cross District Easement/Property:

License Processing Fee: \$1,500

The District assesses a \$1,500 fee to review and process any request to cross or otherwise encroach upon any District easement or other real property interest.

Easement Processing:

Easement Fee: Actual costs incurred by District to process the easement

Minimum Deposit Required: \$3,000

The District will invoice all costs incurred to process the easement. Should costs exceed the amount of the deposit, the applicant will be invoiced, and any remaining funds after recording of the easement will be returned to the applicant.

New Construction & Development Projects:

Plan Review Fees: Water: **\$5.00/linear foot**
 Sewer: **\$5.00/linear foot**
 Minimum Deposit Required: \$3,000

Construction Inspection Fees: Water: **\$5.00/linear foot**
 Sewer: **\$3.00/linear foot**
 Inclination Survey: **\$4.00/linear foot**
 Minimum Deposit Required: \$3,000

The District will invoice all costs exceeding the deposit and will reimburse any remaining funds upon completion of the project.

- Plan review and construction inspection fees shall be in the form of a pre-paid deposit based on the District’s per foot plan review and construction inspection fee schedule and the footage of water and sewer mains to be installed.
- Actual costs incurred are reconciled against the initial deposit each month. If the deposit has been depleted or the current statement balance is insufficient to complete the process, an additional deposit will be required.
- At the conclusion of plan review and construction activities each account is reconciled, and an invoice is submitted for costs not previously reimbursed. After project conditional acceptance has been obtained any remaining funds are returned to the applicant.

Sewer Capacity Study:

Sewer Capacity Study Fee \$500 deposit

For each new development project, the District requires a sewer capacity study to assess the available capacity to serve the proposed development. The District will invoice all costs exceeding the deposit and will reimburse any remaining funds upon completion of the project.

Water Stub-in Permit:

Stub-in Permit Fee \$100 per stub-in

The District assesses a \$100 fee to review and process the permit for a stub-in, which allows the installation of a water service pipe prior to the paving of a street.

Sewer Connection Inspections (New Development Projects):

For new development projects that have achieved conditional acceptance but not final acceptance, all sewer connections MUST be inspected by a District representative.

1. Initial Inspection: **\$100.00 per utility connection.**
2. Subsequent inspections caused by contractor delays or failure to meet District standards during the initial inspection will be assessed a fee of **\$250.00.**
3. Any inspection conducted after business hours (M-F 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) or on scheduled District holidays will be assessed a fee of **\$250.00.**

Grease Interceptors:

Grease Interceptor Review Fee \$1,000 per unit

The District assesses a \$1,000 fee to review plans, confirm sizing requirements and inspect the construction installation or renovation of any grease interceptors.

Grease Interceptor Variance Review Fee \$1,000 per unit

Where a variance is requested from District standards, the District assesses a \$1,000 fee to review the variance request.

Firelines:

Fireline Review and Inspection Fee \$1,000

The District assesses a \$1,000 fee to review plans and inspect construction of fireline extensions. This fee applies only to projects that require a fire service line connection of 3” or larger to an existing district owned main.

Fireline Administration Fee \$100

The District assesses a \$100 fee to review and process the fireline tap permit.

Water and Sewer Connection (Tap) Fees

Water Tap Fees

Tap Size	Equiv. ¾" Taps	Tap Fee
¾"	1	\$ 7,000
1"	2	\$ 14,000
1½"	4	\$ 28,000
2"	8	\$ 56,000
3"	18	\$126,000
4"	36	\$252,000
6"	94	\$658,000

In addition to the Southwest Metropolitan water tap fee, the Denver Water Department assesses system development charges for all connections made to District facilities.

Sewer Tap Fees

Single Family or Equivalent	\$1,518	
Multiple Family - Per Unit	\$1,518	
Commercial and Industrial		
Water tap size	Equiv. SFREs*	Tap Fee
¾"	2	\$ 3,036
1"	4.8	\$ 7,286
1½"	11	\$ 16,698
2"	20	\$ 30,360
3"	43	\$ 65,274
4"	86	\$130,548

In addition to the Southwest Metropolitan sewer tap fee, the City of Littleton assesses a sewer tap fee for all connections made to District facilities.

* single family residential equivalents

Monthly Service Fee

The fee is billed by Denver Water on each customer's monthly water bill.

Tap Size	Number of Equivalent	Monthly Service Charge
5/8 - inch	1	\$12.00
3/4 - inch	1	\$12.00
1 - inch	2	\$24.00
1.25 - inch	3	\$36.00
1.5 - inch	4	\$48.00
2 - inch	8	\$96.00
3 - inch	18	\$216.00
4 - inch	36	\$432.00
6 - inch	94	\$1,128.00