

# NEW CUSTOMER WELCOME PACKET

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#### Dade County Water & Sewer Authority Policy and Procedures

#### **Fees**

Meter Deposit	\$30.00	Damage/Tampering Fee	\$300.00
Cut On Service Charge	\$20.00	<sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " Tap Fee	\$1400.00
Return Payment Fee	\$28.00	1" Tap Fee	\$1700.00
Broken Shut Off Valve Fee	\$75.00	2" Tap Fee	\$5500.00

#### Meters larger than 2" will be priced at the time of request.

#### **New Accounts**

Customers that are moving into a previously occupied home with previous water service must pay a Meter Deposit and a non-refundable Service Charge to start water service into the new customer's name. This fee also pays to obtain an initial read on the meter and unlock the meter valve. Any customer with a previous balance, must pay arrears in full to obtain service. Meter Deposits are refunded after the account is closed and paid in full. Otherwise, the deposit is applied to the balance on the account.

Owners will be required to provide closing documents for the property and a photo ID. Renters will be required to provide signed documentation (lease or rental agreement) for the property, and photo ID to verify that the resident is legally entitled to occupy the residence.

All residential customers are automatically enrolled in leak protection insurance through SERVLINE Leak Protection Program. The cost of this coverage is \$2.00 per month. In the event of a leak at your home, leak protection will cover your high water bill up to \$1,000 once every 12 months. Customers who choose to opt out of this coverage and assume full financial responsibility for charges incurred through leaks, may call (855) 883-0443 to have coverage removed from your account. SERVLINE also offers line coverage for repairs to your water service line and sewer service line. Servline by Homeserve is your insurance company and is responsible for approval and/or denial of all claims. Leak claims are subject to the same leak adjustment policy that has been in place for many years. Any leak that is at least 3 times the 12 months average of normal account usage is eligible to file a claim. For more information, see the SERVLINE brochure that is included in this packet.

#### **Taps**

If customers are building a new home or have never had water service on a lot before, it may require that a water "tap fee" be paid. A tap fee covers the material and labor cost of tapping a main line and setting a meter on your property. The customer must have a 911 address issued by your county.

To request a tap, customers will be required to pay in full and apply for service. Then DCWSA will notify UPC (Utility Protection Center) of our intent to dig in the area. After receiving permission to dig, we will install your service as soon as possible thereafter.

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#### **Meter Readings**

Every effort is made to read meters according to 30-day cycle. Sometimes holidays/weekends, weather, and emergency work requires us to alter our meter reading schedule slightly. If the water usage seems higher or lower than what seems is normal, please compare the meter reading on the bill with the reading on the meter. The meter reads like the odometer on a car, with the numbers reading in a cumulative fashion. If after making these comparisons, customers feel there is an error, customers are encouraged to call the office during normal business hours and we will review the current usage.

#### **Billing & Payments**

We bill monthly. Therefore, customers will receive a bill approximately every 30 days (all due dates and collection dates are as printed and may vary slightly from 30 days due to the work week). Customers are responsible for paying their bills on time. If a customer does not receive a bill, it is the customer's responsibility to call our office to check the balance and/or pay by phone. Dade County Water & Sewer Authority is not responsible for misdirection, undelivered, or lost mail.

We also offer online payments at <a href="www.mydadewater.com">www.mydadewater.com</a>. By creating an online account, customers can manage e-bill status, check account balances, and review account history. Customers can pay online using credit cards or debit cards for one-time or recurring payments, this is a free service. Customers can also sign up for free Automated Credit Card and ACH (bank draft) transactions by visiting the office. We highly recommend these services.

Payment is due by the due date listed on the bill, approximately 15 days from the date the bill is mailed (all due dates and collection dates are as printed and may vary slightly from 15 days due to the work week). All accounts carrying a balance beyond the due date will be assessed a Late Fee.

#### **Late Bills**

The Due Date is listed on each bill. The due date is approximately 15 days from the bill date. Any payment received after the Due Date is considered late and is subject to a 10% Late Fee on the current charge.

#### **Collections**

Water service may be suspended to an account, and service lines may be locked out due to non-payment. A disconnect notice will be sent prior to disconnection. If a customer's account carries a past due balance past the disconnect date on the notice, the account will be subject to disconnection.

To reinstate a disconnected account, the customer must pay all arrears on the account and the disconnection fee of \$30.00. Payments made by 4:00 p.m. will be restored the same day. Any payments for reconnection of service after 4:00 p.m. will be restored the next business day. Any customer attempting to force open his/her cut-off valve will be charged a Damage Fee for its repair (see vandalism) and is subject to legal action, including prosecution for theft of services.

#### Vandalism

The meter box, meter, transmitter, and valve inside the meter box are the property of the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority. Customers should under no circumstances tamper with any equipment inside the meter box. Should you require water to your house to be turned off for any reason, please call the office at any time, and we will help. We strongly recommend that all customers have a plumber install a personal cut off valve at least 5 feet away outside the meter box to allow you to cut-off water flow to your house in case of an emergency.

Any customer who tampers with a meter or valve servicing their house is subject to a damage charge of \$300. These charges cover the cost of the labor and materials required to fix leaks created by this activity or to replace the meters, locks, valves, or the various corporation stops, pipes, and fittings that are broken through such misuse. Many customers attempt to force a valve closed or open without the proper tools. Other customers may try, and force open a valve that has been locked due to non-payment or cut the lock or valve to steal service. If the utility company discovers that a locked-out service connection has been tampered with, the police will be immediately notified, and we will proceed to collect payment and/or prosecute for theft of services.

#### **Returned Payments**

Dade County Water & Sewer Authority charges a service fee for returned payments of any kind. In addition, should an account have two returned checks, Dade County Water & Sewer Authority will no longer be able to accept payments in that form.

#### **Emergencies**

Our staff is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to respond to system emergencies. Emergencies are major leaks, or any water system malfunction that causes a home to be without water, roads to be washed out, or threaten life, limb, or property. Restoration of service due to non-payment is not considered an emergency. The Authority will assess all leaks but may elect to fix them during the business day, when daylight and utility locations (gas, electricity, etc.) make the repairs safer for personnel. The utility company is responsible for the repair and maintenance of water lines in the road, and up to and including the meter box. The utility company will therefore respond to leaks and fix leaks in the meter box and on the roadside of the meter box. All leaks between the meter box and the house are on a customer's private water line and are the responsibility of the customer. We recommend a plumber be obtained to fix leaks on a private line.



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#### \*\*SCAM ALERT\*\*

Dade County Water & Sewer Authority will never come to your door or call to request payments. All company vehicles are clearly marked with our logo and a vehicle number.





Have a leak or a waterline break...

No problem. We are here to help. This is precisely why we havesought to offer you our ServLine Protection Programs.

Now you can have peace of mind and get your water back online, all in



#### LEAK PROTECTION PROGRAM

Dade County Water & Sewer Authority offers protection against costly service bills caused by unexpected leaks, up to \$1,000 coverage per occurrence.

In the event of a costly water or sewer bill caused by high water usage due to a qualifying leak or line break,

Dade County Water & Sewer Authority's leak loss protection program covers the costly utility bill once the active

cause of the leak has been repaired.

All eligible Dade County Water & Sewer Authority customers are automatically enrolled in our optional expanded Water and Sewer Leak Loss Protection Program, and charges will appear on your utility bill. Call us at 844-883-0443 to decline protection and accept full responsibility for all excess water and sewer charges caused by a leak.

#### LINE PROTECTION PROGRAM

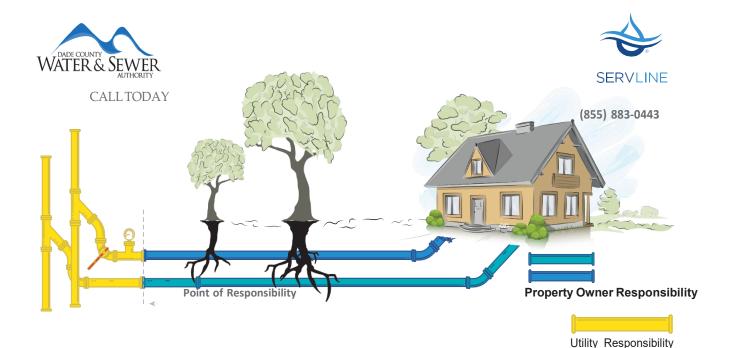
Water line repairs or replacements can be costly. Help guard your home today and get up to \$10,000 per qualifying repair. Covers qualifying service line cracks or breaks occurring on your property.

Covering from the meter to the foundation of your home.

You are responsible for costs associated with water line failures on your property, and everything from erosion to soil acidity to outdated practices for installing pipes can lead to issues far sooner than expected. To get your infrastructure up and running again in the event of a crack or break to your sewer line, we encourage you to consider optional line repair and replacement coverage.

See below for Important Coverage Information.







Residential Single Occupancy: \$1.71 per month
Commercial Single Occupancy: \$4.30 per month
Commercial Multi Occupancy: \$8.60 per month

Master Meter: Not Applicable

Call to decline service and accept full responsibility for high bills caused by leaks. In the event of a high bill failure to pay in full could lead to disconnection.

Call 855-883-0443



Protection for your exterior water service line provides:

Up to \$10,000 per qualifying repair.

Per qualifying repair: Up to \$500 for landscaping restoration and up to \$500 for privately paved surfaces.

No Deductible No Annual Limit

#### WATER LINE

Residential: \$3.85 per month
Master Meter: Does not qualify

#### **SEWER LATERAL**

Residential Single Occupancy: \$5.50 per month
Master Meter: Does not qualify

Effective August 1, 2024

Information for the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority Leak Loss Protection Program: Leak Loss Protection Program covers pipes up to 2" meter. High water and sewer bills due to leaks occurring after 8/1/2024 will be adjusted through this program. Please refer to our leak adjustment guidelines for qualifications. Cancel anytime. 30-day wait period for re-enrollment.

\*Information for the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority Line Protection Program: Line Protection covers pipes up to 2" meter. 30-day wait period for enrollment or re-enrollment. Not Qualifying: Water meters, water meter pit or water meter vault; master metered habitational; unconnected; any pipe beyond the foundation of the dwelling or the footprint of the dwelling; irrigation systems or back flow preventers; interior pipes.

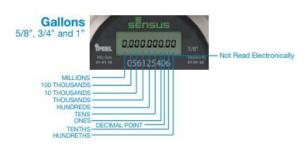
Call Dade County Water & Sewer Authority's dedicated ServLine phone number 844-883-0443, for more information and request a copy of the full terms and restrictions for any of the programs. The financial obligations of Dade County Water & Sewer Authority Leak Loss and Line Protection Programs are backed by an insurance policy procured as part of the ServLine program. Disclaimer: The information presented herein is not a contract, binder, or agreement to extend insurance coverage. The contents herein are intended as an announcement without any express or implied coverage of any kind. Payments of benefits are bject to all terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions of the member's participation at the time of service.

#### Sensus iPERL® Water Meters

- 1. There are 9 digits / bars on the Sensus iPERL meter.
- 2. The last 2 digits, right of the decimal read in 10's and 100's. The first number to the left of the decimal is 1 Gallon. Begin reading right of the decimal.
- 3. Unit of measure -- DCWSA reads in 1,000 Gallons.
- 4. To check for leaks, use the Flow Direction / Empty Pipe Indicator. If there is a plus sign (+) in the middle of this circle, water is passing through the meter.
- 5. Battery life indicator.

The face of your meter looks something like a car's odometer, and most water meters either have a dial or a digital display. To get your current usage, read the meter and write down the meter reading, then the next day do the same thing and subtract the numbers to find your daily usage. You can also chart your usage at more regular intervals to help you control your water usage. This is especially helpful in the summertime when watering lawns and flowerbeds can cause a dramatic spike in your water usage.

#### How to read your iPERL meter...



There are several reasons why you might want to locate and read your water meter. First, you might be interested to know how much water you use in a day. By reading your meter at the beginning and end of a day, you can compare the readings to tell how much water you and your family

used. The second reason is to check for leaks.

#### How to check for leaks...

Water leaks can be a very costly and cause property damage. Additionally, leaks can result in very large water bills. Your Sensus IPERL water meter is equipped with a

digital LCD register. A plus sign (+) means water is flowing through the meter. If you suspect you have a leak, take the following steps:

- 1. Write down the meter reading.
- 2. Turn off all the water fixtures and appliances.
- 3. Write down the reading again on the meter.
- 4. Wait approximately 15 minutes.
- 5. Look at the flow indicator. Does the plus sign (+) disappear or remain?
- a. If the (+) sign disappears then the flow of water through the meter has stopped.
- b. If the (+) sign remains, then a fixture in your home is still using water or you have a leak in your service line between the meter and your home.



#### I think I have a leak – what could it be?

If you think you have a leak, the most likely culprit is a toilet that is running constantly. A faulty flapper on the toilet can cost you \$100 or more a month if it's allowed to run undetected. Other places to look for a leak include the base of your water heater, faucets with faulty washers and even your ice maker (if it fails to shut off as it's supposed to do.) The issue could also be a leaking underground pipe, which are often distinguishable by a patch of green that is noticeably greener than the rest of the lawn. For a leak behind the wall or in a crawl space, look for discolored drywall or ceiling tile.

#### **Water Rates**

Water allowance for a minimum bill is 0 to 2,000 gallons. Rates fluctuate in different areas of the county based on how many pump stations the water must go through to get to you. For example, rates in the City Limits of Trenton are less than the rates for residents in the mountain areas. Water for city residents will go through only one pump station where some mountain residents get their water via up to 4 pump stations. Listed below, you will find our current rates. If you do not find the information you need, please contact our office and we will provide it for you.

# DADE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY WATER RATES EFFECTIVE 03/01/2021

ROUTES 10, 12, 61	ROUTES 21, 22, 23, 31, 32, 33, 50, 51, 63
VALLEY RATE (WB)	MTN RATE (WC)
PUMPED 1X	PUMPED 2X
0 - 2000 GAL \$18.54	0 - 2000 GAL \$20.15
3,000 - UP GAL \$4.84	3,000 - UP GAL \$5.00
	VALLEY RATE (WB) PUMPED 1X 0 - 2000 GAL \$18.54

ROUTES 29		CANYON RIDG	E	FLINTSTONE	
10,21		29		RESIDENTIAL	
MTN X3(WC3)		MTN X4(WC4)		MTN RATE (WS)	
PUMPED 3X		PUMPED 4X		FLINTSTONE	
0 - 2000 GAL	\$21.76	0 - 2000 GAL	\$23.37	0 - 2000 GAL	\$22.98
3,000 - UP GAL	\$5.15	3,000 - UP GAL	\$5.30	3,000 - UP GAL	\$6.13

INDUSTRIAL			
CITY RATE (WD)	VALLEY RATE (WE)	MTN RATE (WF)	
PUMPED 1X	PUMPED 1X	PUMPED 2X	
0 - 2000 GAL \$39.46	0 - 2000 GAL \$39.46	0 - 2000 GAL	\$39.46
3,000 - UP GAL \$4.74	3,000 - UP GAL \$4.84	3,000 - UP GAL	\$5.00

COMMERCIAL			
CITY RATE (WG) PUMPED 1X	VALLEY RATE (WH) PUMPED 1X	MTN RATE (WI) PUMPED 2X	
0 - 2000 GAL \$26.20	0 - 2000 GAL \$26.20	0 - 2000 GAL	\$26.20
3,000 - UP GAL \$4.74	3,000 - UP GAL \$4.84	3,000 - UP GAL	\$5.00

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#### **Sewer Rates**

Sewer rates within the City of Trenton are established by the City of Trenton. The Dade County Water & Sewer Authority (DCWSA) serves solely as the billing agent for these charges. DCWSA does not manage, operate, or maintain the sewer system within city limits. For questions regarding sewer rates, infrastructure, or service issues, please contact the City of Trenton directly.

DADE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY  CITY SEWER RATES  EFFECTIVE 09/01/2021					
		INSIDE CITY LIMITS			
CITY RESIDEN	ITIAL XA	COMMERCIA	L XB	INDUSTRIAL XC	
0-2000 GAL	\$ 17.31	0-2000 GAL	\$26.20	0-2000 GAL	\$39.46
3,000-UP GAL	\$6.00	3,000-UP GAL	\$7.11	3,000-UP GAL	\$7.11
		OUTSIDE CITY LIMIT	T <b>S</b>		
CITY RESIDEN	NTIAL XE	COMMERCIA	L XF	INDUSTRIA	L XG
0-2000 GAL	\$29.80	0-2000 GAL	\$32.25	0-2000 GAL	\$48.60
3,000-UP GAL	\$8.00	3,000-UP GAL	\$10.00	3,000-UP GAL	\$10.00
PLUS 3% MAINTENANCE SURCHARGE					

#### OTHER SEWER RATES

NORTH END SEWER					
NE SEWER 12 XS WILDWOOD SEWER METERS XW WILDWOOD SEWER					
0-2000 GAL	\$24.38	0-2000 GAL	\$24.38	0-2000 GAL	\$24.38
3-20000 GAL	\$5.48	3-20000 GAL	\$5.48	3-20000 GAL	\$5.48

COVENANT SEWER RATES			
SEWER RATES XT1 SEWER RATES XTQ			
BASE CHARGE \$27.00	PER 1,000 RATE	\$8.00	



#### WATER METER/WATER USE POLICY

The following rules and regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every consumer and/or property owner supplied with water from the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority, herein called the DCWSA, and every person or property owner taking water shall be considered as having expressed their consent to be thereby bound.

#### UNAUTHOIRZED WATER USE

All water being used must flow through a DCWSA authorized water meter associated with an active water account that is in good standing. It is expressly illegal for anyone to tap, convert, steal, or utilize water through any fire line, fire hydrant, water main, or other equipment or lines of DCWSA without first having established a water account with an associated DCWSA authorized water meter.

#### WATER METERS

The initial cost of the meter, valve and copper setter is paid for by the property owner and is installed by DCWSA. Once the meter and its components are installed it becomes the property of DCWSA. It is DCWSA's responsibility to maintain the meter, including replacement, and repair due to normal wear and tear. It is the responsibility of the account holder to maintain reasonable access to the meter and to protect the meter and meter components from any type of damage, including freezing, lawn mowers, vehicles, and vandalism. A replacement cost for damaged meters and components will be charged to the account holder.

#### REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF METERS

The DCWSA has the right to remove and/or replace any water meter it deems necessary, and is held harmless for damage real or alleged, to service lines or private property caused by such work if reasonable care is exercised.

If for any cause, the meter breaks or fails to register the amount of water used for any period, the quantity shall be determined by the DCWSA. The DCWSA shall make a reasonable reference to the quantity used in the corresponding period of previous years.

Property owners must keep their water pipes and fixtures in good repair at their expense.

The property owner/account holder shall be responsible for paying the water bill and any related water charges.

The property owner/account holder will be issued a water bill as long as the water service is connected to the premises. The owner must notify the DCWSA in of their intent to terminate the water service. Reconnection will be done at the owner's expense.

The DCWSA reserves the right to restrict, limit or shut off water in all cases when it becomes necessary to do so for repairs, non-payment of water bills, violations of the regulations or whenever they deem expedient.

No person shall operate any fire hydrant of the water works system without written permission from the DCWSA, except for the fire department.

All fire hydrant use will be metered or calculated for water usage.

#### METER VALVE ACCESS

# ONLY DADE COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY EMPLOYEES ARE AUTHORIZED TO ACCESS THE METER BOX AND OPERATE THE VALVE WITHIN TO TURN OFF OR ON THE WATER.

The meter lid, boxes, meter, transmitter, and valve located within the meter box are the sole property of the utility company. **This policy is strictly enforced** and protects the aging infrastructure of the water distribution system. It also protects the customer from being responsible for the cost of any damages that may occur.

All customers of Dade County Water & Sewer Authority are encouraged to have a personal shut-off valve. If you do not have a shut-off, please call us to schedule a turn on/off during regular business hours. There is no charge for this service.

#### **CLAIMS AGAINST DCWSA**

Claims against the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority will not be accepted for damage to any pipe, fixture, appliance or appurtenance resulting from interrupted water service, variation in water pressure, temporary water service through hose connections, turning off or on of the water supply either wholly or in part for the purpose of extending, altering, or repairing any water main or water service line, or discontinuance of water service to the premises for violation of a rule or regulation of the DCWSA.

#### O.C.G.A. § 16-7-25

## 16-7-25. Damaging, injuring, or interfering with property of public utility companies, municipalities, or political subdivisions.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person intentionally and without authority to injure or destroy any meter, pipe, conduit, wire, line, post, lamp, or other apparatus belonging to a company, municipality, or political subdivision engaged in the manufacture or sale of electricity, gas, water, telephone, or other public services; intentionally and without authority to prevent a meter from properly registering the quantity of such service supplied; in any way to interfere with the proper action of such company, municipality, or political subdivision; intentionally to divert any services of such company, municipality, or political subdivision; or otherwise intentionally and without authority to use or cause to be used, without the consent of the company, municipality, or political subdivision, any service manufactured, sold, or distributed by the company, municipality, or political subdivision.
- (b) Where there is no evidence to the contrary, the person performing any of the illegal acts set forth in subsection (a) of this Code section and the person who with knowledge of such violation receives the benefit of such service without proper charge as a result of the improper action shall be presumed to be responsible for the act of tampering or diversion.
- (c) This Code section shall be cumulative to and shall not prohibit the enactment of any other general and local laws, rules, and regulations of state or local authorities or agencies and local ordinances prohibiting such activities which are more restrictive than this Code section.
- (d) Any person who violates this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.



### **AMR Opt-Out Policy**

Dade County Water & Sewer Authority is upgrading meters to an Advanced Metering Infrastructure with AMR (Automated Meter Reading). All meters will be replaced during mass deployment. Once your area has been upgraded, your meter will be read electronically on a monthly basis unless the account holder choses to opt out of AMR.

### **AMR Opt-Out Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What is AMR?

AMR (Automated Metering Reading) is a method of reading meters using radiofrequency (RF) as a means of communications between the meters and a mobile or handheld reading device.

#### Who can opt out of the AMR program? How do I opt-out?

The Opt-Out program applies to customers with a Residential rate. Commercial and Industrial customers are not eligible to opt out of this service. Opt-Out acceptance maybe declined if customer's account is not current and in good standing.

All customers requesting to opt out of AMR are required to complete an Opt-Out service agreement form. Upon receipt of a completed form, we will perform a review to determine if the customer meets the eligibility criteria.

#### \*Ineligible to opt-out or opt-out revoked if customer has a record of:

- Equipment tampering or water diversion
- Service disconnection for lack of payment 2 times in a 12-month period
- Obstructed meter access for meter reading and/or meter maintenance
- Documented threat to utility staff

Are there costs associated with electing to opt out of the AMR program? A one-time, initial setup fee of \$50 per water meter to cover the cost of changing and reconfiguring the water meters.

In addition to the standard monthly charges for utility services a meter reading charge of \$30 is assessed each month to cover the cost of manual meter reads. The Opt-Out initial charge and the meter read fees are added to your utilities billing statement. If you would like to opt out for multiple locations on your account, the initial setup charge and the meter read fee will apply to each additional location.



#### Why do I have to pay to opt out of the AMR program?

Our standard for metering is moving to AMR equipment, which has been reviewed and approved by the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority. We determined that the costs for non-standard service should be paid by those customers who choose the non-standard service. The opt out charges cover the costs of removing and reconfiguring the reading equipment and a monthly site visit to manually collect meter reads from the non-automated utility meters. Customer self-read and reporting is not available.

#### Once I opt out, what will change?

We will visit the premise and exchange the water meter for a solid-state meter that has the radio frequency (RF) communication transmitter disabled. By rendering the automated meter components inoperable, our personnel must visit the premise once each month to read the meter(s) thus requiring physical access to the meter.

#### Are other utility companies offering this option?

Yes. Many utilities across the country have this option. Our Opt-Out option follows the best practices that have been developed by other utilities.

#### Will rates be affected by this program?

The Opt-Out option does not affect the retail usage rates.

## Why do the water meters look the same as they did before the automated equipment was removed?

The same standard meter types are used to measure consumption, the only difference is the RF transmitting module in each meter has either been removed or disabled.

#### Once a customer opts out, will there still be RF frequency in/around their home?

Yes. In today's hi-tech world, RF is emitted from wireless routers, cell phones, microwaves, baby monitors, TVs, etc. Additionally, any RF being emitted from communication towers or other meters in the area are also in the environment at all times.

#### Once a customer opts out, can they opt back into automated meter reading?

If you opt out, you are responsible for the associated fees incurred. If you opt out of the AMR program and then change your mind, the fees are not refundable.

Any customer that opts out, but subsequently elects to opt back in, will not incur any charges or fees to have the AMR equipment placed back in service. Customers may opt back into the AMR program by calling 706-657-4341.



# Dade County Water & Sewer Authority AMR Opt-Out Agreement

The Automated Meter Reading (AMR) Opt-Out Program ("Program") is available for Dade County Water & Sewer Authority Residential customers. This program allows for the removal of radio frequency (RF) emitting equipment used for purposes of collecting a meter read at a premise and replacement with non-automated equipment.

Participation in the Program requires the following:

- Initial setup/meter change-out fee: \$50
- DCWSA will manually read the meter(s) each month requiring physical access to the meter(s). Customer self-read and reporting is not available.
- In addition to the standard monthly charges for utility services the customer will incur a \$30 read charge each month for manually reading the meter(s). This meter reading charge is applicable regardless of the number of meters at the customer site.

To elect participation in the Program, please complete all fields in the form below. Upon submission of this Agreement, Customer agrees to the terms and conditions of the agreement and rules and regulations, as amended from time to time. Please complete this form for each residence electing to participate in the Program.

### **Customer and Meter Information**

*indicates required field			
<b>Customer Name (Primary Acc</b>	count Owner):*		
Service Address:*			
City:*	State:*	Zip Code:	
Daytime Phone: *	Email:		
DCWSA Account Number: *			

Are there any meter access issues that we need to be aware of at the service address?
Yes No
If Yes, please describe:
(Please indicate if locked gate, dog, etc.)
Terms and Conditions
I agree that I am a customer of record at the customer account number entered above. Further, I am indicating that I want to opt out of Dade County Water & Sewer Authority's AMR Program and am subject to the requirement of providing physical access to the meter each month for manual reads, an initial setup fee and a monthly read charge per meter per month which will be added to each monthly bill. By opting out, I understand that all automated metering-enabled services may no longer be available to me, and I thus agree to forfeit these services and benefits I agree that this Agreement is subject to and incorporates the rules, regulations, and rate schedules for utilities service on file with Dade County Water & Sewer Authority, as amended
from time to time. Except as expressly provided herein, the terms and conditions of existing Contract(s) for utilities service and other Agreement(s), if any, between DCWSA and Customer
shall remain in full force and effect. This Agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party. Furthermore, I agree to adhere to requirements of the Program, including but not
limited to, allowing access to obtain meter reads at my property and timely payment. Failure to adhere to these terms and conditions will result in removal from the Program and the installation

#### **Account Owner Acknowledgement**

Account Owner: Dat	<b>2:</b>
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of standard automated metering equipment, at customer's expense, at the premise.

You may submit this completed form to Dade County Water & Sewer Authority at P.O. Box 1047, Trenton, GA 30752 or email a copy to us at

CustomerService@mydadewater.com

You may also fax this form to 706-657-6778 or drop off the form at our office located at 250 Bond Street, Trenton, GA 30752.