Residential Irrigation Meter Information

The Irrigation/Water Only meter may be an option if there is an irrigation system at the home. The Irrigation meter would separate your indoor and outdoor water use saving you the cost of sewer ($6.33/unit). Irrigation meters are beneficial if a significant amount of outdoor watering is done. Please evaluate if this option is right for you.

- The water only rate is $11.84/unit.
- An added benefit to the residential irrigation meter is the usage inside the home is capped at the second tier. Please see a list of our current water rates. The summer sewer discount will no longer apply to your account as there are no sewer charges on your outdoor usage that flows through the residential irrigation meter.
- There will be a customer charge for each water meter (indoor and irrigation) of $28.34/qtr. for 5/8” x 3/4” meters. Customer charges are based on the meter size installed.
- The cost of a 5/8” x 3/4” water meter is $420.00. Actual fee is based on meter size chosen.
- A plumbing permit also has to be pulled through our Building Department located at 301 E Huron St. Ann Arbor, MI 48104, by the homeowner or licensed plumber at the cost of $65.00.
- After purchasing the meter, you will then receive a meter horn/template. This horn must be installed by the homeowner or a licensed plumber.

Once the horn is installed the following steps must be taken:

1. Contact the Building Department at (734)794-6263 within 72 hours of installation to schedule a plumbing inspection (permit # will be needed). Inspections are only done Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM (we do not guarantee times). This inspection must be approved before you can move on to the next step. Current Michigan Plumbing and Residential Codes require all backflow prevention devices be certified by a third-party certification agency. Annual inspections shall be made of all backflow prevention assemblies and air gaps to determine whether they are operable.

2. Once your plumbing inspection is complete, call Customer Service at (734) 794-6320 option 1 to schedule a meter installation (our technician will install the actual meter). Meter installations are done Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

All the above listed steps must be completed in a timely manner from the date the meter is purchased. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Customer Service at (734) 794-6320 option 1.

Fees good through 6/30/2024. Fees subject to change as deemed necessary