

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

BY-LAW NO. 48-25

A by-law to establish 2026 water rates and charges for the production, treatment, storage and distribution of water in the Regional Municipality of Halton and to repeal By-law No. 54-24.

WHEREAS The Regional Municipality of Halton (hereinafter referred to as the Regional Corporation) by subsection 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the *Municipal Act, 2001*), has the exclusive responsibility for the production, treatment, storage and distribution of water in the Regional area;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 391 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, a municipality may pass by-laws imposing fees or charges on any class of persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it, for costs payable by it for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of any other municipality or local board, and for the use of its property including property under its control;

AND WHEREAS, in response to the Royal Canadian Mint no longer distributing pennies as of February 4, 2013 and pennies being gradually withdrawn from circulation, the Council of the Regional Corporation is desirous of following the Government of Canada's rounding guidelines for cash transactions;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Regional Corporation deems it necessary and advisable to pass a water rates by-law as referenced in By-law No. 71-19, passed on the 10th day of July, 2019 (hereinafter the Waterworks By-law).

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the 2026 rates, fees and charges as specified in Schedules "A", "B", "C" and "D" to this By-law, which are attached hereto and form an integral part hereof, shall be charged by the Regional Corporation on and after the 1st day of January, 2026.

2. THAT By-law No. 54-24 is hereby repealed effective the 1st day of January, 2026.
3. THAT this By-law comes into force and effect on the 1st day of January, 2026.

READ and PASSED this 10th day of December, 2025.

Original signed by
REGIONAL CHAIR

Original signed by
REGIONAL CLERK

Reference: Report No. 31-25

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SCHEDULE “A” TO BY-LAW NO. 48-25

1.0 Interpretation

- 1.1. This By-law shall be read in conjunction with the Waterworks By-law and the Wastewater Fees and Charges By-law and the words used in this By-law shall have the same meaning as those used in the Waterworks By-law and the Wastewater Fees and Charges By-law unless otherwise indicated.
- 1.2. The following definitions shall apply throughout this by-law:
 - (a) “Applicant” means the Owner of lands that require Water Services, or the Owner’s authorized agent;
 - (b) “Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Public Works for the Regional Corporation or his authorized representative;
 - (c) “Commissioner of Finance” means the Regional Corporation’s Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer;
 - (d) “Deposit” means security for future fees or charges and may be refunded on terms and conditions set out in this Schedule “A”;
 - (e) “Permit Application” means an application to connect to the Waterworks System;
 - (f) “Wastewater Fees and Charges By-law” means the Regional Corporation’s by-law establishing fees and charges for the collection, treatment and disposal of wastewater (sewage) as may be passed from time to time;
 - (g) “Waterworks By-law” means the Regional Corporation’s Water By-law No. 71-19, as amended or a successor by-law, as may be passed by Regional Council from time to time.

2.0 Applications for Water Service

- 2.1. Upon Application for water service, the Applicant shall pay connection charges and other applicable fees as set out in Schedule “B”.
- 2.2. In the event that a Service pipe exists and, in the opinion of the Commissioner, it is of sufficient capacity and considered structurally sound, the Commissioner may waive any fee or any part thereof, provided the Regional Corporation has no outstanding account with respect to such Service, in the Commissioner’s sole discretion.
- 2.3. The Applicant shall supply, install or perform, as may be applicable, all material and excavation as may be required for the service requested, in accordance with Regional Standards.
- 2.4. The Applicant shall pre-pay any fees and charges, as set out in Schedule “B”, for all services requested, before the Regional Corporation will issue a connection permit.

3.0 Water Accounts

- 3.1. The Regional Corporation may require a Consumer to pay a deposit of \$100.00 as security for payment of Residential accounts. The Regional Corporation may require a Consumer to pay a deposit in an amount to be determined by the Commissioner for Industrial, Commercial or Institutional accounts. The Regional Corporation shall refund the deposit at the time the Consumer closes the account, provided there is no outstanding balance on the account.

4.0 Water Rates, Fees & Charges

- 4.1. Water rates, fees and usage charges set out in Schedules “B” and “C” to this By-law shall be effective for all accounts rendered by the Regional Corporation or its designate on all Residential, Industrial, Commercial and Institutional consumption on or after January 1, 2026.
- 4.2. In consideration of receiving Water Service, the Consumer shall pay all fees, charges, surcharges or other amounts as may be set out in Schedules “B” and “C” to this By-law upon receipt of an invoice for same.

- 4.3. Residential, Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Consumers shall pay the monthly Water Rates and Usage Charges as set out in Schedule "C".
- 4.4. The rate card provided for billing information purposes to consumers of water and wastewater services shall combine the monthly rates and charges applicable under both this By-law and the Wastewater Fees and Charges By-law and will be substantially in the form attached as Schedule "D".
- 4.5. In the event that a connection provides Water Service for both Residential, Industrial, Commercial or Institutional use, the Customer shall pay the Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Water rates, fees and usage charges.

5.0 Standby Time

- 5.1. The Regional Corporation shall refund a deposit for standby time where the actual standby time is less than the estimated standby time for the service requested.

6.0 Overdue Accounts & Administrative Fees

- 6.1. All overdue accounts may be subject to additional administrative fees, interest or other penalties.
- 6.2. Consumers shall pay an administrative fee of \$29.75 for all cheques that are not honoured by the Regional Corporation's bank or are marked "non-sufficient funds".
- 6.3. Consumers who fail to respond to meter maintenance requests from the Regional Corporation or its agent are subject to a penalty of \$224.07, as set out in Schedule "B".
- 6.4. Despite the fees and charges set out in Schedule "B", the Regional Corporation shall not charge a fee for meter testing if the meter is found to be inaccurate to plus or minus one point five percent (1.5%) at not less than ninety five percent (95%) capacity.

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SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 48-25

Service Offered	2026 Approved Fee *	Applicable Taxes (HST or Exempt) *
Water		
Water Main Taps:		
20mm to 50mm	\$ 496.96	Exempt
100mm & larger	\$ 926.78	Exempt
Standby time for Watermain Taps (Refundable)	\$ 300.00	Exempt
2 Bacterial Tests - After 30 days by System Operations	Actual Cost	HST
Fire hydrant relocation (Residential Only)	\$ 9,216.32	Exempt
Fire hydrant relocation investigation	\$ 456.05	HST
Standby time for Fire Hydrant Relocation (Refundable)	\$ 300.00	Exempt
Tenant Water Service:		
Water deposit (minimum)	\$ 100.00	Exempt
Water Service:		
Residential Shut off	\$ 214.92 / \$ 365.84	Exempt
Residential Turn on	\$ 214.92 / \$ 365.84	Exempt
Residential On/off same day	\$ 214.92 / \$ 365.84	Exempt
Industrial/Commercial Shut off	Actual Cost	Exempt
Industrial/Commercial Turn on	Actual Cost	Exempt
Industrial/Commercial On/off same day	Actual Cost	Exempt
Water service cleaning	\$ 289.63	Exempt
Testing and Inspection Report (per consultant report/per device/annually)	\$ 66.01	HST
Backflow Prevention/Cross-Connection Initial Survey (Hazard review)	\$ 132.02	HST
Thawed private water service pipe - 15mm to 25mm	\$ 663.05	Exempt
Thawed private water service pipe - greater than 25mm	Actual Cost	Exempt
Manual Meter Read Fee	Actual Cost	HST
Bulk Water Rates - Perm. Sites Invoice / m3	\$ 3.64	Exempt
Bulk Water Rates - Mobile Stations / m3	\$ 3.64	Exempt
Bulk Water Rates - Hydrant Meter Rental / m3	\$ 3.64	Exempt
Water Meter Installations by Region:		
20mm	\$ 409.44	Exempt
25mm	\$ 515.03	Exempt

Service Offered	2026 Approved Fee *	Applicable Taxes (HST or Exempt) *
Water Meter Purchase, Seal and Connect by Region only:		
40mm	\$ 971.88	Exempt
50mm	\$ 1,171.08	Exempt
75mm	\$ 4,058.80	Exempt
100mm	\$ 5,608.51	Exempt
150mm	\$ 10,413.38	Exempt
200mm	\$ 14,466.09	Exempt
250mm	\$ 31,556.28	Exempt
<i>Note: Cost of meter includes construction water</i>		
Frozen water meter repair		
Frozen water meter repair (15 mm - 25 mm inclusive)	\$ 438.72	Exempt
Frozen water meter repair (40 mm and larger)	Actual Cost	Exempt
Water Meter Calibration Testing:		
15mm to 25mm	Actual Cost	HST
40mm to 250mm	Actual Cost	HST
Hydrant meter rental (monthly charge)	\$ 791.17	Exempt
Hydrant Meter relocation during rental period	\$ 564.02	Exempt
Hydrant meter replacement (if lost by lessee)	Actual Cost	HST
Penalty for failure to respond to meter maintenance requests	\$ 224.07	Exempt
Water Meter deposit (Refundable):		
1 Water Meter	\$ 500.00	Exempt
2 - 20 Water Meters (\$ each)	\$ 200.00	Exempt
21 - 50 Water Meters (\$ each)	\$ 150.00	Exempt
51 & Up Water Meters (\$ each)	\$ 100.00	Exempt
Infrastructure & Environmental Services		
Water and Wastewater Linear Design Standard	\$ 65.03	HST
Subscription Fee for Water and Wastewater Linear Design Standard (3-yr. subscription & updates)	\$ 40.55	HST
Water and Wastewater Facilities Design Manual and Consultants procedure Manual - Facilities	\$ 81.33	HST
Guide for Facility Project Delivery	\$ 32.43	HST
Uniform Traffic Signal Specifications (incl. CD)	\$ 89.43	HST
Guide for Production Engineering Contract Documents (CAD Standards Manual with CD)	\$ 65.03	HST
Tender Documents inclusive of Contract Documents & Specifications (non-refundable):		
Large drawings ≥ 50 sheets	\$ 225.27	HST
Large drawings < 50 sheets	\$ 112.54	HST
Each additional set of drawings:		
Large drawings ≥ 50 sheets	\$ 150.19	HST

Service Offered	2026 Approved Fee *	Applicable Taxes (HST or Exempt) *
Large drawings < 50 sheets	\$ 75.01	HST
11 x 17 drawings package	\$ 37.51	HST
Each Additional Contract Document & Specification set	\$ 37.51	HST
Halton Urban Structure Plan (HUSP)	\$ 62.77	HST
Sustainable Halton Miscellaneous Documentation	\$ 152.43	HST
Miscellaneous Environmental Assessments and Studies for Water & Wastewater Infrastructure	\$ 114.29	HST
Transportation Studies, Master Plan & Miscellaneous Documents	\$ 76.22	HST
Halton Water & Wastewater Master Plan Review (2002)	\$ 471.06	HST
South Halton Water & Wastewater Master Plan Update (2008)	\$ 228.66	HST
Halton Water & Wastewater Master Plan Review (2011)	\$ 471.06	HST
Aerial Photos (24 x 36)	\$ 16.22	HST
Digital Orthophotography- 1km x 1km	\$ 81.33	HST
Digital Terrain Model 1km x 1km	\$ 81.33	HST
License for GIS Vector files Water or Wastewater for Single Asset Layer	\$ 152.43	HST
License for GIS Vector files Water or Wastewater for Additional Asset Layers (per each additional layer)	\$ 76.22	HST
Print of "As Constructed" Plan and Profile Sheet (Large drawings)	\$ 16.22	HST
Print of "As Constructed" Plan and Profile Sheet (11" x 17")	\$ 4.81	HST
Water and Sewer Operating Maps	\$ 16.22	HST
All Custom Maps (including aerial photography)	Time @ \$62.60 / hr + 5.03 / lin ft	HST
Water Permits		
20 mm or 25 mm Water Service Inspection Public side	\$ 536.00	HST
40 mm or 50 mm Water Service Inspection - includes (2) bacterial tests and (1) swabbing Public side	\$ 1,671.00	HST
100 mm or larger Water service inspection - includes (2) bacterial and (1) pressure test Public side	\$ 2,074.00	HST
Inspect disconnection of old domestic water service 15mm to 50mm	\$ 356.00	HST
Inspect disconnection of old water service 100mm and larger	\$ 1,915.00	HST
Standby time for Watermain Disconnect (Refundable)	\$ 300.00	Exempt
Standby time for Water Service inspection (Refundable)	\$ 300.00	Exempt
Meter Chamber Inspection	\$ 356.00	HST

Service Offered	2026 Approved Fee *	Applicable Taxes (HST or Exempt) *
Standby time for Meter Chamber inspection (Refundable)	\$ 300.00	Exempt
Pressure Test	\$ 496.00	HST
Bacterial Test	\$ 429.00	HST
Swabbing Test	\$ 277.00	HST
Standby time for each or combination of: Bacterial/Pressure Test/Swabbing (Refundable)	\$ 300.00	Exempt
Fire hydrant relocation inspection	\$ 1,915.00	HST
Residential Permit Application – Water Application includes: Plan Review Records Research Permits Cost Estimate Permit Issuance	\$ 238.00	Exempt
Industrial/Commercial/Institutional Permit Application – Water Application includes: Plan Review Records Research Permit Cost Estimate Permit Issuance	\$ 357.00	Exempt

* 2026 Approved fee exclusive of applicable taxes

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SCHEDULE "C" TO BY-LAW NO. 48-25

2026 MONTHLY WATER RATES AND WASTEWATER SURCHARGE

METER SIZE *(1)	Residential		Industrial, Commercial and Institutional	
	Water	Wastewater	Water	Wastewater
20 mm or less	\$ 18.92	\$ 21.75	\$ 18.92	\$ 21.75
25 mm	\$ 32.82	\$ 38.03	\$ 55.86	\$ 75.81
40 mm	\$ 58.22	\$ 67.76	\$ 91.91	\$ 124.29
50 mm	\$ 135.45	\$ 158.00	\$ 200.97	\$ 271.96
75 mm	\$ 247.15	\$ 287.24	\$ 358.09	\$ 485.00
100 mm	\$ 427.38	\$ 498.03	\$ 612.39	\$ 829.14
150 mm	\$ 1,096.54	\$ 1,277.87	\$ 1,555.94	\$ 2,107.08
200 mm	\$ 1,765.41	\$ 2,058.03	\$ 2,499.79	\$ 3,384.96
250 mm	\$ 2,208.75	\$ 2,497.98	\$ 3,123.44	\$ 4,228.82

USAGE CHARGE				
	Water	Wastewater	Water	Wastewater
Per cubic metre	\$ 1.5475	\$ 1.7966	\$ 1.5475	\$ 1.7966

Notes: *(1) Monthly Charge Per Metered Service

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SCHEDULE “D” TO BY-LAW NO. 48-25

2026 MONTHLY WATER RATES AND WASTEWATER SURCHARGE

Monthly Service Charges	Residential	Industrial, Commercial and Institutional
Meter Size		
20 mm or less	\$ 40.67	\$ 40.67
25 mm	\$ 70.85	\$ 131.67
40 mm	\$ 125.98	\$ 216.20
50 mm	\$ 293.45	\$ 472.93
75 mm	\$ 534.39	\$ 843.09
100 mm	\$ 925.41	\$ 1,441.53
150 mm	\$ 2,374.41	\$ 3,663.02
200 mm	\$ 3,823.44	\$ 5,884.75
250 mm	\$ 4,706.73	\$ 7,352.26
Monthly Usage Charge	\$ 3.3441	3.3441
Per cubic metre		