



2023 Wastewater Rate Changes

Rate Changes 2023

The monthly wastewater utility rate is comprised of two different charges. There is a City of Shoreline Wastewater Utility charge that funds daily operations, maintenance, and construction/ replacement of necessary infrastructure. There is also a treatment charge that is charged by either King County or the City of Edmonds, depending on your service address.

As these operational, treatment, repair, and construction charges change year-to-year, the rates are re-assessed to ensure that you continue to receive safe, reliable, and efficient wastewater utility service. When compared to wastewater utility rates in the surrounding region, the City of Shoreline rates are very favorable. For those that need financial assistance, there are several options that are available. Visit the [Payment Options page](#) for our [Low-Income Senior or Low-Income Disabled Citizen discount application](#) and contact information for area agencies that provide utility assistance.

Residential Wastewater Utility Rates for 2023

Ratepayers with King County treatment (price per month)

	2022	2023	Increase
Shoreline Wastewater Utility	\$17.48	\$21.58	\$4.10
Treatment - King County	\$49.79	\$52.17	\$2.38
Total Rate Per Month	\$67.27	\$73.75	\$6.48

Ratepayers with City of Edmonds treatment (price per month)

	2022	2023	Increase
Shoreline Wastewater Utility	\$17.48	\$21.58	\$4.10
Treatment - City of Edmonds	\$30.35	\$32.12	\$1.77
Total Rate Per Month	\$47.83	\$53.70	\$5.87

Commercial Wastewater Utility Rates for 2023

The rates for commercial properties are calculated slightly differently than residential rates. Residential rates are a flat rate, while commercial rates are calculated based on the number of units, or the residential equivalents (RCEs). For billing purposes an RCE is determined by taking the monthly average of water that flows through the water meter, measured in CCF (100 cubic feet or 748 gallons), divided by 7.5. The monthly city rate is determined by taking the higher of units or RCE and multiplying by the commercial City fee listed above. The treatment charge is determined using the same methodology, but there is a 1 RCE minimum.

The below rates are per unit or RCE; whichever is higher.

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Doxo Processing Fees

Credit/Debit/ApplePay transactions via Doxo are subject to processing fees. These fees were previously waived by the City of Shoreline in response to COVID. Effective January 1, 2023, the City of Shoreline will no longer be taking on the fees. From this day on, payments made through Doxo via Credit/Debit/ApplePay will have an additional fee of 3.5% or \$3.99, whichever is higher. Payments made through Doxo via ACH/e-check will be FREE. More information on payment options can be found at the City's [Payment Options page](#)

Financial Assistance Options

Organization	Contact Information
2-1-1 King County	Dial 2-1-1 or 800-621-4636
HopeLink	425-658-2592
King County Veterans Program	206-477-8282
North Helpline	206-365-8043
Shoreline Community Care	206-496-3116
Salvation Army	206-783-1225
St. Vincent de Paul	206-767-6449
City of Shoreline Low Income Senior Citizen Discount or Low-Income Disabled Citizen Discount Program	<u>City of Shoreline Low Income Discount Program</u>