

2025 Water Rates

Highland & Fernwood Water Service Area

Capital Regional District | Effective January 1, 2025

Explanation of annual costs per resident:

- The Capital Regional District bills Salt Spring Island residents on a quarterly cycle.
- The total annual Fixed Use Charge is divided up into quarterly payments per single family dwelling unit or equivalent.
- The Water Consumption Charge is based on your metered use each quarter and billed accordingly.
- The Parcel Tax is an annual fee and will appear separately on your property tax bills.

Highland & Fernwood Water Service	2024	2025
FIXED USE CHARGE	\$322.46 / quarter (\$1,289.82 total annual)	\$340.27/ quarter (\$1,361.06 total annual)
WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGE (No Change to consumption rates)	*1 cubic metre (1 m ³) = 1,000 litres = 220 imperial gallons	
0 to 38 m ³	\$0.64 / m ³	\$0.64 / m ³
39 to 105 m ³	\$2.00 / m ³	\$2.00 / m ³
over 106 m ³	\$5.13 / m ³	\$5.13 / m ³
PARCEL TAX (appears on property tax bill)	\$245.36	\$277.37

Highland Only Water Service	2024	2025
PARCEL TAX (appears on property tax bill)	\$131.46	\$56.62
NO additional Fixed Use or Consumption Charge		

Fernwood Only Water Service	2024	2025
PARCEL TAX (appears on property tax bill)	\$194.79	\$94.26
NO additional Fixed Use or Consumption Charge		

Additional information:

- Watch for notice of meeting date for the Highland/Fernwood Water Service Annual General Meeting to be held in the spring of 2025.
- 2025 Water Rates, which are subject to change, are based on the CRD's preliminary Financial Plan. The Financial Plan with possible revisions will receive final approval by the CRD Board in March of 2025.
- Payment is due within 30 days of issuing the water bill. A late payment charge of 1.5% will be added after the billing due date.

For more information on the governance structure and function of your water service, please visit [Highland-Fernwood Water Service Commission](#)

Report water emergencies toll free at 1.855.822.4426. Billing questions toll free at 1.800.663.4425 (ask for utility billing)