

Water Tolls Bylaw No. 341 - 2022

COWICHAN BAY WATERWORKS DISTRICT

BYLAW NO.

A bylaw with respect to water tolls and other charges payable to the district and the terms of payment thereof, and providing for a percentage addition to encourage prompt payment thereof.

The Trustees of Cowichan Bay Waterworks District ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Application

1. This Bylaw applies to all Properties, which receive water from the Cowichan Bay Waterworks District (the "District").

Interpretation

2. In this Bylaw:
 - (a) "**Billing Date**" means the date a bill is prepared by the District, identified as "Date" on the bill provided by the District to a Property owner.
 - (b) "**Commercial Property**" means a Property on which an income is derived from the use of the property.
 - (c) "**District**" means the Cowichan Bay Waterworks District.
 - (d) "**Property**" includes parcels and lots, and portions thereof where more than one water connection exists, is required or has been requested and provided.

Effective January 1, 2022 the following tolls are hereby fixed and made payable by all owners of land in the District to which water is delivered from the works of the District:

Quarterly Residential Metered Rates

3. THAT the residential metered rates, to be paid by the registered leaseholders on a foreshore lease, Cowichan Valley Regional District, and School District 79, within the Cowichan Bay Waterworks District; and the registered owners of property not assessed a "water tax" shall be charged a minimum quarterly charge of \$108.75 and that usage shall be charged as set out in Section 6.
4. THAT the residential metered rates, to be paid by the registered owners of taxable property shall be charged a minimum quarterly charge of \$65.00 and that usage shall be charged as set out in Section 6.
5. THAT the residential metered rates, to be paid by the registered owners of strata, RV and mobile home property, and multiple residential property shall be charged a minimum quarterly charge of \$65.00 per unit and usage shall be charged as set out in Section 7.

6. THAT the residential metered consumers as set out in Sections 3 and 4 shall be charged quarterly for usage based on the following “schedule of rates”:

a.	For the first 100 m ³ For the first 3500 ft ³	\$0.50 / m ³ \$0.0142 / ft ³
b.	100.001 m ³ to 125 m ³ 3500 ft ³ to 4414 ft ³	\$1.00 / m ³ \$0.0283 / ft ³
c.	125.001 m ³ to 150 m ³ 4414 ft ³ to 5297 ft ³	\$2.00 / m ³ \$0.0566 / ft ³
d.	150 m ³ to 175 m ³ 5297.001 ft ³ to 6180 ft ³	\$3.00 / m ³ \$0.0850 / ft ³
e.	Over 175.001 m ³ 6180.001 ft ³ to 999 999 ft ³	\$5.00 / m ³ \$0.142 / ft ³

7. THAT the residential metered consumers as set out in Section 5 shall be charged for usage rates based on the following “schedule of rates”:

For all cubic meters consumed	\$0.50 / m ³
For all cubic feet consumed	\$0.0142 ft ³

Quarterly Commercial Metered Rates

8. THAT the commercial metered consumers that are not assessed a “water tax” shall be charged a minimum quarterly charge on the following “schedule of rates” and usage rates shall be charged as set out in Section 10.

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| (a) 1 (one) commercial unit only | \$135 |
| (b) 1 (one) commercial and 1 (one) residential unit | \$244 |

For each additional commercial unit there will be a quarterly charge of \$55 and for each additional residential unit there will be a quarterly charge of \$43.

9. THAT the commercial metered water rates, to be paid by the registered owners of property shall be charged a minimum quarterly charge of \$80 and that usage rates shall be charged as set out in Section 10.

10. THAT the commercial metered consumers shall be charged quarterly usage rates based on the following “schedule of rates”:

0 to 100 m ³	\$0.50 / m ³
0 to 3500 ft ³	\$ 0.0142 / ft ³
Over 100.001 m ³	\$1.00 / m ³
Over 3500 ft ³	\$ 0.0283 / ft ³



Time of Payment & Penalty

11. Billing will occur quarterly. All tolls and charges shall be due and payable within 30 days of the Billing Date. If not paid within that period, an additional 10% penalty shall be added to the unpaid balance on each billing thereafter and shall be deemed to be a charge against the property until such time as it is paid or recovered.

Additional Charges

12. The District may, on 24 hours written notice, by resolution, order the water shut off to any premises on which there are any tolls or other charges owing for ninety days or longer from the billing date. Water shut off under this section shall be subject to the charges levied under Section 14 of this bylaw.
13. The Trustees may, by resolution, reduce any toll fixed in the preceding clauses in respect of any premises not occupied throughout any period by an amount commensurate with the period the premises is unoccupied, provided the owner or occupant notifies the Trustees in writing as to the time the premises becomes unoccupied and the water supply is shut off for the period when the premises is not occupied, subject to the charges levied under Section 14 of this bylaw.
14. In addition to the aforementioned charges, there is hereby fixed and made payable to the District by every owner or occupier of premises in respect to which a request is made for the water supply to be turned off, or on the order of the Trustees, that the water supply be turned off, a charge of \$55. There is also fixed and made payable to the District by every owner or occupier of premises in respect to which a request is made that the water be turned on, a charge of \$55.
15. This Bylaw repeals Bylaw No. 325.
16. This bylaw may be cited as the “Water Tolls Bylaw No. 341-2022”.

INTRODUCED and given first reading by the Trustees on the 9th day of December, 2021.
SECOND reading by the Trustees on the 9th day of December, 2021.
RECONSIDERED and finally adopted by the Trustees on the 9th day of December, 2021.

	
Chairperson, Board of Trustees	District Administrator

I hereby certify under the SEAL OF THE DISTRICT that this is a true copy of Bylaw No. 341 - 2022 of the COWICHAN BAY WATERWORKS DISTRICT passed on the 9th day of, 2021.


District Administrator