

Water Plan 3

Proposed Tariffs & Pricing



“ Our prices are designed to meet our service obligations and develop our infrastructure to meet future customer demand.

” Murray Jackson Managing Director
Westernport Water

Our prices and tariffs proposed in our Water Plan 3 (WP3) are set to ensure we recover the cost of operating our business. Our plan is submitted to the Essential Services Commission, the pricing regulator who review and if deemed appropriate, will authorise Westernport Water to start charging as per the plan from 1 July 2013. Please note all WP3 prices exclude CPI annual inflation.

Water usage charges

The current Inclining Block Tariff (IBT) will be replaced by a flat water use charge of \$1.79 per kilolitre (KL) for both residential and commercial customers as the *variable charge* for water, from 1 July 2013.

Fixed charges

Your fixed *water and wastewater access* charges on your bill are developed to ensure that sufficient revenue is generated to cover the fixed costs of operating our corporation, as well supporting our investments to meet future demand.

Proposed tariff increases 2013-2018

Water, recycled water and sewer tariffs will increase on average by 3% per year (*excluding CPI annual inflation*) from 1 July 2013 until end June 2018.

Vacant land tariff

Unconnected vacant land tariffs will be charged at 50% of the fixed access charges (refer to above table).

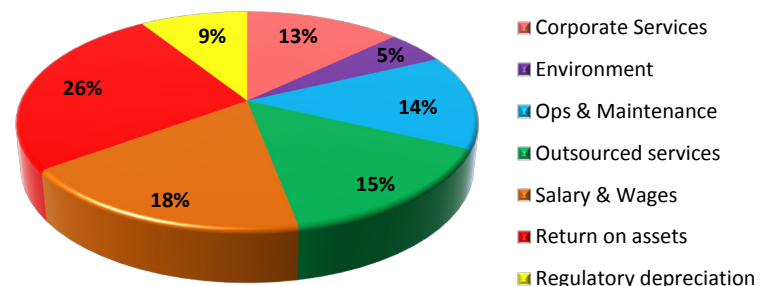
Recycled water tariff

A fixed fee of \$25 per annum will be payable by customers who are connected to our recycled water purple pipe network.

Proposed residential tariffs from 1 July 2013

Residential Tariffs	Current 2012-2013	Proposed (rounded & excludes CPI annual inflation)				
		2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Water Access Charge	\$365.62	\$360	\$370	\$382	\$393	\$405
Sewer Access Charge	\$555.57	\$555	\$571	\$589	\$607	\$625
Water Use charge per kl	IBT Tier 1 \$1.50					
	IBT Tier 2 \$1.79	\$1.79	\$1.87	\$1.95	\$2.04	\$2.13
	IBT Tier 3 \$2.30					

What your tariffs pay for



Where do I find more information?

Further detailed information regarding the new water usage rate and other tariffs can be found in section 10 of our Water Plan 3 document.