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MOUNT HOPE WATER ASSOCIATION, a public corporation

OF

BUCKHANNON, WEST VIRGINIA

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RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FURNISHING

WATER

at Red Knob or Mount Hope area of Upshur County, West Virginia

Filed with THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

of

WEST VIRGINIA

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Effective for all service rendered on and
after August 1, 2021, subject to refund.

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Issued by Mount Hope Water Association, a public corporation

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

- I. Rules and Regulations for the Government of Water Utilities, adopted by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, and now in effect, and all amendments thereto and modifications thereof hereafter made by said Commission.

AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE

Available for general domestic, commercial and industrial service.

(I) RATE

First	3,000 gallons per month	\$11.96 per 1,000 gallons
Next	3,000 gallons per month	\$11.41 per 1,000 gallons
Next	4,000 gallons per month	\$10.78 per 1,000 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons per month	\$10.14 per 1,000 gallons
All Over	20,000 gallons per month	\$ 9.49 per 1,000 gallons

(I) MINIMUM CHARGE

No bill will be rendered for less than the following amounts, according to the size of meter installed:

	5/8 inch meter	\$ 32.55 per month
	3/4 inch meter	\$ 48.83 per month
1	inch meter	\$ 81.38 per month
1 - 1/2	inch meter	\$ 162.75 per month
2	inch meter	\$ 260.40 per month
3	inch meter	\$ 520.80 per month
4	inch meter	\$ 813.75 per month
6	inch meter	\$1,627.50 per month

(N) The above minimum charges are subject to an additional \$1.11 per thousand gallons used per month.

DELAYED PAYMENT PENALTY

The above schedule is net. On all usage billings not paid within twenty (20) days, ten percent (10%) will be added to the net current amount unpaid. This delayed payment penalty is not interest and is to be collected only once for each bill where it is appropriate.

- (I) Indicates increase
- (N) Indicates new

TAP FEE

The following charges are to be made whenever the utility installs a new tap to serve an applicant.

A tap fee of \$100.00 will be charged to all customers who apply for service before construction is completed adjacent to the customer's premises in connection with a certificate proceeding before the Commission. This pre-construction tap fee will be invalid after the completion of construction adjacent to an applicant's premises that is associated with a certificate proceeding.

A tap fee of \$350.00 will be charged to all customers who apply for service outside of a certificate proceeding before the Commission for each new tap to the system.

(I) LEAK ADJUSTMENT RATE

\$4.13 per 1,000 gallons is to be used when the bill reflects unusual consumption which can be attributed to eligible leakage on customer's side of the meter. This rate shall be applied to all such consumption above customer's historical average usage.

RECONNECT FEE

\$25.00

To be charged whenever the supply of water is turned off for violations of rules, non-payment of bills or fraudulent use of water.

RETURNED CHECK CHARGE

The Association may not collect any fee greater than that charged to it by a banking institution and under no circumstances shall the fee collected by the Association exceed \$15.00.

SECURITY DEPOSIT

Not to exceed one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual estimated charge for residential service or one-sixth (1/6) of the annual estimated charge for all other service.

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Leak Adjustment Policy-

The recalculated bill shall reflect the utility's incremental cost of treating or purchasing the water, as contained in the utility's tariff, for all amounts above 200% of the customer's historic usage. Historic usage shall be defined as the average usage of the preceding twelve (12) months, or actual period of service if less than twelve (12) months. If using the historic usage would result in an unreasonable calculation, adjustments may be made. If such adjustments are made, the utility should advise its customer that a dispute regarding such adjustments may be taken to the Commission in the form of an informal complaint.

Leak adjustments will only be given to customers, 1 per leak and approved at the board meetings, after the operator has confirmed that the leak is fixed.
(see water rules for calculation)