

# Monthly Wastewater Rates

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- Town of Cape Charles has a graduated rate structure to encourage conservation:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Rate</u>
0-2,000	\$37.05
2,001-5,000	4.11 per 1,000
5,001-10,000	5.85 per 1,000
10,001-15,000	7.80 per 1,000
15,001 and over	11.70 per 1,000

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- Cape Charles customer bills:

Minimum	\$37.05
3,000 gals.	41.16
5,000 gals.	49.38
- Average household size is 1.9 persons.
- Many are at the minimum charge.
- Typical charge is for about 3,000 gals.
- 5,000 gals. used by state for analyses and by Draper Aden Assoc. for annual survey.

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- Draper Aden Rate Report for 2009:  
Average for Systems <5,000 Connections  
Inside municipal boundary      \$32.67  
Outside municipal boundary      \$48.40
- Size matters – average rates for systems <5,000 are about 13% higher than for systems having 5,000-50,000 residential connections.

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- Boundaries matter – charges are about 48% higher for service provided to customers outside municipal boundaries.
  - more pumping and piping?
  - subsidized by tax revenues?
- Average monthly rate increased 6.6% from 2008 and 72% since 2000.
  - deferred capital replacement?
  - Chesapeake Bay clean-up?