

Seattle Public Utilities Plans to Update Drainage and Wastewater Core Tap Charges on January 1, 2019

The drainage and wastewater core tap and core tap inspection charges were last updated over 14 years ago. SPU has reviewed and adjusted these charges to reflect the actual costs to provide the service. The review of core tap charges results in a simplified charge structure based only on tap size.

The table below shows the current and proposed 2019 charges. The updated charges will go into effect on January 1, 2019 pending the adoption of a director's rule.

Core Tap Size	Regular Hours ^a		Overtime ^b	
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
6" (performed by SPU)	\$160 - \$245/T&M ^c	\$540	T&M	\$810
8" – 10" (performed by SPU)	\$235 - \$365/T&M	\$650	T&M	\$960
Size-on-Size (performed by SPU)	T&M	T&M	T&M	T&M
> 10" inspection (SPU inspects contractor's tap)	T&M	\$410	T&M	\$680

^a Tuesday through Friday from 6:00 am—4:30 pm, excluding holidays observed by the City of Seattle

^b Times other than regular hours

^c T&M is time and materials

In limited cases, contractors are required to provide all materials for core taps performed by SPU staff. In these cases, standard charges will be reduced by \$140 for each 6" core tap and \$200 for each 8" - 10" core tap.

Want more information?

There are several ways to learn more about the proposed 2019 charges update.

- Visit www.seattle.gov/util/Documents/RulesandPolicies/. The webpage includes the full list of proposed charges and answers to frequently asked questions.
- Contact Julie Vorhes, Separate Charges Project Manager, at Julie.Vorhes@seattle.gov.