

APPENDIX A - UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES 2025-2026

CHAPTER 13.12 IN THE BELEN MUNICIPAL CODE



UTILITY CONNECTION CHARGES (13.12.010)

Water Line Tap Fee	Charge
3/4 Inch Line	\$1,200.00
1 Inch Line	\$1,250.00
1 1/2 Inch Line	\$1,250.00
2 Inch Line	\$1,750.00
3 Inch Line	\$3,450.00
4 Inch Line	\$4,750.00
6 Inch Line	\$6,750.00
New Meter Installation	Charge
3/4 Inch Meter	\$160.00
1 Inch Meter	\$280.00
1 1/2 Inch Meter	\$730.00
2 Inch Meter	\$800.00
3 Inch Meter	\$1,250.00
4 Inch Meter	\$3,750.00
6 Inch Meter	\$5,400.00
Sewer Line Tap	Charge
All	\$525.00

WATER RATES (13.12.020)

Residential Single-Family Homes

Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-3,000 Gallons	\$31.62	4%	\$32.88
3,001-6,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$4.89	5%	\$5.13
6,001-10,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.51	5%	\$5.79
10,001-25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.17	5%	\$6.48
Over 25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.90	5%	\$7.26

Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-3,000 Gallons	\$67.57	5%	\$70.95
3,001-6,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$7.18	6%	\$7.24
6,001-10,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$7.66	6%	\$8.16
10,001-25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.29	6%	\$8.79
Over 25,0001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.96	6%	\$9.50
Apartment Complexes, Mobile Home Parks & Multifamily Housing Units			
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-3,000 Gallons	\$31.62	4%	\$32.88
3,001-6,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$4.89	5%	\$5.13
6,001-10,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.51	5%	\$5.79
10,001-25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.17	5%	\$6.48
Over 25,0001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.90	5%	\$7.26
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-3,000 Gallons	\$67.57	5%	\$70.95
3,001-6,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$7.18	6%	\$7.61
6,001-10,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$7.66	6%	\$8.12
10,001-25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.29	6%	\$8.79
Over 25,0001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.96	6%	\$9.50
Commercial Properties			
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-3,000 Gallons	\$31.62	4%	\$32.88
3,001-6,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$4.89	5%	\$5.13
6,001-10,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.51	5%	\$5.79
10,001-25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.17	5%	\$6.48
25,001-40,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.90	5%	\$7.26
40,001-100,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.55	5%	\$8.98
Over 100,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$9.22	5%	\$9.68
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-3,000 Gallons	\$67.57	5%	\$70.95
3,001-6,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.28	6%	\$8.78
6,001-10,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.56	6%	\$9.07
10,001-25,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.87	6%	\$9.40
25,001-40,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$9.51	6%	\$10.08
40,001-100,000 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$9.84	6%	\$10.43
Over 100,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$10.22	6%	\$10.83

Bulk Fire Hydrant User/Contractor Use Only			
Usage	Fee	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-1,000 Gallons	\$151.13	10%	\$166.24
Over 1,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$11.05	8%	\$11.93

Bulk Fire Hydrant User/Commercial			
Usage	Fee	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Deposit for Meter	\$950.00		
Monthly Rental	\$485.18	10%	\$587.07
Per 1,000 Gallons Used	\$11.05	8%	\$11.93
Failure to Report Readings Fine	\$250.00		

SEWER RATES (13.12.020)

Residential Single-Family Homes			
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$38.43	4.2%	\$40.04
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.37	4.2%	\$5.60
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$42.85	4.2%	\$44.65
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.20	4.2%	\$8.54
Grinder Pump System (1 max)	\$56.29	5%	\$59.10

Multifamily Housing			
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$38.43	4.2%	\$40.04
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.37	4.2%	\$5.60
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$42.85	4.2%	\$44.65
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.20	4.2%	\$8.54
Grinder Pump System (per unit)	\$56.29	5%	\$59.10
Fee per Dwelling Unit	\$37.93	5%	\$39.83

Commercial Units			
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$38.43	4.2%	\$40.04
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$5.37	4.2%	\$5.60
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$42.85	4.2%	\$44.65
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$8.20	4.2%	\$8.54
Grinder Pump System (initial unit)	\$56.29	5%	\$59.10
Grinder Pump System (per additional unit)	\$49.37	5%	\$51.84
Fee per Commercial Dwelling Unit	\$37.93	5%	\$39.83

Institutional Establishments			
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$37.78	4.2%	\$39.37
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$7.02	4.2%	\$7.31
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Grinder Pump System (per unit)	\$351.77	5%	\$369.36
Inside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Base Rate 0-2,000 Gallons	\$37.72	4.2%	\$39.30
Over 2,001 Gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	\$7.14	4.2%	\$7.44
Outside City Limits	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Grinder Pump System (per unit)	\$351.07	5%	\$368.62

ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENTS (13.12.040)

Service Call		
Description	Fee	
Regular Business Hours Call	\$25.00	
After Hours/Holiday Call	\$50.00	
Utility Deposits/Fees		
Description	Fee	
Meter Deposits (Owner Occ. Res)	\$50.00	
Meter Deposits (Owner No-Occ. Res)	\$100.00	
Commercial/Institutional/Industrial	\$125.00	
Return Payment Fee	\$35.00	
Delinquent Accounts		
Description	Fee	
Reconnect Fee (Per Delinquency)	\$50.00	
Reinstallation Fee (Per Meter)	\$200.00	

GARBAGE COLLECTIONS RATES (8.02.160)

Polycart Fees

Description	7/1/24-25 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate 7/1/25-26
Poly Cart Residential	\$34.22	3%	\$35.25
Extra Cart (Residential)	\$11.50	3%	\$11.85
Commercial	\$43.19	3%	\$44.49
Extra Cart (Commercial)	\$43.19	3%	\$44.49

Dumpster Size and Pick Up Fees

NEW Rate 7/1/25-26	1 Yard	2 Yard	3 Yard	4 Yard	6 Yard	8 Yard
1	\$116.06	\$116.06	\$141.88	\$166.89	\$217.72	\$268.55
2	\$166.89	\$166.89	\$218.30	\$268.55	\$370.22	\$468.12
3		\$217.72	\$293.97	\$370.22	\$522.69	\$675.17
4		\$268.54	\$370.22	\$471.84	\$672.24	\$878.49
5		\$319.37	\$485.69	\$574.35	\$948.27	\$1081.80
6						\$1284.95

Compactor Size and Pick Up Fees

Pick Ups/Week (Current Fee)	4 Yard	6 Yard
New Rate 7/1/25-26		
1	\$245.86	\$581.98
2	\$779.68	\$1153.68
3	\$1160.54	\$1696.27
4	\$1520.57	\$2132.30
5	\$1808.68	\$2629.64

ADDITIONAL CITY SPECIAL PICK-UP FEES			
Description	7/1/25-26 Rate	Increase Percentage	New Rate-7/1/25-26
Special Pick Up (City Fee)	\$30.21	5%	\$31.72
Large/Bulk Item Pick Up (City Fee)	\$44.08	5%	\$46.28

Additional Garbage Fees

Description	Fee	
Deposit for Garbage Service Only	\$60.00	
Missed Pick Up/Go Back	\$8.39	
Lost/Stolen/Damaged Trash Cart	\$75.00	

VACANT OR FORECLOSED STRUCTURE REGISTRATION FEES (CHAPTER 15.14)

Initial Fee

Description	Fee	
Registration Fee	\$25.00	

Non-Compliance Fees

Description	Fee	
Failure to Comply-Chapter 15 (per day)	\$100.00	
Failure to Register (1st Offense)	Written Warning	
Failure to Register (2nd Offense) 90 day	\$300.00	
Filing a Material False Statement	\$500.00	
Appeal Fee	\$100.00	