

Ohio EPA
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters
New Fee Schedule

Operator Certification Fees

Application Fee - Any person applying for an examination for certification as an operator, at any time the application is submitted, must pay a fee of \$25. The application fee of \$25 is effective through November 30, 2003. On and after December 1, 2003 any person applying for an examination for certification must at the time of application pay a fee of \$45.

Examination Fee - Upon notification of approval that the applicant is eligible to take the examination, the applicant must pay a fee in accordance with the following schedule:

	<u>Examination Fee through November 30, 2003</u>	<u>Examination Fee Effective on and after December 1, 2003</u>
Class A Operator	Not Applicable	\$ 35
Class I Operator	\$45	60
Class II Operator	55	75
Class III Operator	65	85
Class IV Operator	75	100

Biennial Certification Renewal Fee - A person must pay a biennial certification renewal fee for each applicable class of certification in accordance with the following schedule:

Class A Operator	\$25
Class I Operator	35
Class II Operator	45
Class III Operator	55
Class IV Operator	65

Biennial Certification Renewal Late Fee - If a certification renewal fee is received more than thirty days, but not more than one year after the expiration date of the certification, the person must pay a biennial certification renewal fee in accordance with the following schedule:

Class A Operator	\$45
Class I Operator	55
Class II Operator	65
Class III Operator	75
Class IV Operator	85

Replacement Certificate Fee - A person who requests a replacement certificate must pay a fee of \$25 at the time the request is made.

Laboratory Certification Fees (Effective July 1, 2003)

The following fees on a per survey basis must be charged for services for the evaluation and certification of laboratories and laboratory personnel for determining the qualitative characteristics of drinking water:

Organic Chemical	\$5,400
Trace Metals	5,400
Standard Chemical	2,800
Limited Chemistry	1,550
Microbiological:	
MMO-MUG	2,000
MF	2,100
MMO-MUG and MF	2,550

The fee for those services must be paid at the time the request for survey is made. An individual laboratory will not be assessed a fee more than once during a certification (three year) period. Unless the laboratory requests the addition of analytical methods or analysts, in which case the laboratory must pay \$1,800 for each additional survey requested.

Plan Approval (Effective July 1, 2003)

A person applying for a plan approval for a public water supply system must pay a fee of \$150 plus 0.35% of the estimated project cost; however, the total fee must not exceed \$20,000. The fee must be paid at the time the application is submitted.

License to Operate (Effective July 1, 2003)

A person applying for a license or license renewal to operate a public water system must pay the appropriate fee at the time of application to the director. Any person who fails to pay the fee at the time must pay an additional amount that equals ten percent of the required fee. Fees must be calculated in accordance with the following schedule:

COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS (Effective July 1, 2003)

Number of Service Connections	Fee per Service Connection
Not more than 49	\$112 (total)
50-99	176 (total)
100 to 2,499	1.92
2,500 to 4,999	1.48
5,000 to 7,499	1.42
7,500 to 9,999	1.34
10,000 to 14,999	1.16
15,000 to 24,999	1.10
25,000 to 49,999	1.04
50,000 to 99,999	0.92
100,000 to 149,999	0.86
150,000 to 199,999	0.80
200,000 or more	0.76

A public water system may determine how it will pay the total amount of the fee calculated, including the assessment of additional user fees that may be assessed on a volumetric basis. As used in this schedule, "Service Connection" means the number of active or inactive pipes, goosenecks, pigtails, and any other fittings connecting a water main to any building outlet.

NON-TRANSIENT NON-COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS (Effective July 1, 2003)

Population Served	Fee Amount
Fewer than 150	\$ 112
150 to 299	176
300 to 749	384
750 to 1,499	628
1,500 to 2,999	1,268
3,000 to 7,499	2,816
7,500 to 14,999	5,510
15,000 to 22,499	9,048
22,500 to 29,999	12,430
30,000 or more	16,820

As used in this schedule, "Population Served" means the total number of individuals receiving water from the water supply during a twenty-four hour period for at least sixty days during any calendar year. In the absence of a specific population count, that number must be calculated at the rate of three individuals per service connection.

TRANSIENT NON-COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM (Effective July 1, 2003)

Number of Wells Supplying System	Fee Amount
1	\$112
2	112
3	176
4	278
5	568
System designated as using a surface water source	792

As used in this schedule, "Number of Wells Supplying System" means those wells (either active or inactive) that are physically connected to the plumbing system serving the public water system. A public water system designated as using a surface water source must pay a fee of \$792 or the amount calculated using the number of service connections or population served whichever is higher.