HOW TO READ YOUR MIAMI-DADE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT WATER BILL

Your Bill (Sample)
This sample bill shows you how to read and understand your Miami-Dade Water and Sewer bill. Note that all applicable fees, charges and deposits when opening a new account are reflected on your first bill.

1. Customer/Department Contact Information
   Account name, account number, billing date, and bill past due date. Departmental contact information, hazardous conditions and water conservation contacts are also included.

2. Messages from the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department:
   The department often includes special messages and encourages customers to read this area to keep up with programs and any new projects that may be occurring.

3. Account Summary:
   A summary of your account, which includes the previous balance, payments received, current charges and the total.

4. Service Period, Meter Readings and Water Consumption:
   Service period dates, meter number, days of service, a comparison of the reading during the current period with that of the previous period, and the total water consumption units (CCF) used to determine water charges. A conversion from CCF units to 100-gallon increments is provided. Note: Our meters are read in increments of 100 cubic feet (CCF) every three months.
   - 100 Cubic Feet (CCF) = 1 Unit
   - Unit = 748 Gallons
   In this sample bill, a 26-unit consumption is billed based on 194.48 hundred gallons. (26 x 748 = 19,448/100 = 194.48)

5. Service Address and Water Charges:
   Property address and a graphical representation of the water usage history.

6. Current water charges, hydrant charge and water charges subtotal.

7. Account Information and Paystub:
   Account number, past due date, and amount due. Please note that payment must be received by the past due date in order to avoid additional charges. Return this portion with payment for proper credit. Please include the account number on your check.

8. Customer/Department Contact Information:
   Account name, account number, billing date, and bill past due date. Departmental contact information, hazardous conditions and water conservation contacts are also included.
Description of Billing Terms:

1) DEPOSIT REFUND/CREDIT – Customers with a good credit history will have their deposit credited to their account within 2 years. Good credit history is defined as a period of two (2) years with no service cutoffs or tampering violations combined with a record of less than three (3) late payments for a quarterly customer or less than five (5) late payments (for a monthly customer). Customers closing their accounts will be refunded their deposit, less any amount still due.

2) CONSUMPTION CCF (hundred cubic feet) – The department bills in hundred cubic feet which is expressed as CCF. One CCF is equivalent to 748 gallons. (for example: 10 CCF x 748 gallons = 7,480 gallons)

3) UTILITY SERVICE FEE – All water and sewer utilities in Miami-Dade County are required to pay this fee to support regulatory activities of the Permitting, Regulatory and Economic Resources Department.

4) HYDRANT CHARGE – This charge is for the installation, maintenance and repair of fire hydrants. Customers in the unincorporated areas of Miami-Dade County and certain municipalities are billed this charge if their property is located within a radius of 660 feet of an existing fire hydrant, as per Miami-Dade County Code.

5) EXCISE TAX & STORMWATER CHARGE – This is a charge imposed by unincorporated Miami-Dade County or certain municipalities. It is collected and remitted to either Miami-Dade County or the appropriate municipality.

Area Offices:
The location of area offices where you can pay your bill apply for water and sewer service. The LeJeune office accepts payments only.

To change account information:
Complete this area to change your mailing address or other contact information. You may also change the mailing address through our website at www.miamidade.gov/water

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• Commission Surcharge: This is a tax which funds our regulator. This tax is 1.5% of your total bill.
• Total Taxes: This is the sum of all taxes for the billing cycle.
Total Amount Due: The total amount due is the total summary of charges of your entire bill, including any past due amount. This should be paid on or before the current bill’s due date.

Sewer Utility Fees:
The current sewer utility service fee and subtotal.

Stormwater Charge:
The current stormwater charge and subtotal and the contact number for the appropriate municipality.

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The Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department is committed to serving the needs of Miami-Dade County residents, businesses, and visitors by providing high-quality drinking water and wastewater disposal services while providing for future economic growth via progressive planning, implementing water conservation measures, safeguarding public health and the environment; and providing for continuous process improvements and cost efficiencies.

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