

Fire Hydrant Meter Use

On a limited basis, WSSC leases fire hydrant meters (from 2 weeks to 6 months) to individuals and businesses requesting to purchase WSSC potable water without paying sewer charges. Fire hydrants can be used in most of Prince George's and Montgomery Counties (MD). However, parts of Bowie, Rockville, and all of Poolesville have their own water systems and WSSC meters cannot be used on their fire hydrants. All WSSC fire hydrants are painted with a green top and a white or light gray body.

Fire Hydrant Meter Information

Size	3/4"	3"
Flow Range	Approximately 25 gallons per minute or 1,500 gallons per hour	Approximately 250 gallons per minute or 15,000 gallons per hour
Hose Type	Standard Garden Hose	2 1/2" Fire Hose
Security Deposit	\$300.00	\$1,800.00

Security Deposits must be paid by certified, cashier's, or treasurer's checks; or money order. If customers have a WSSC water/sewer account in "**good standing**" (3 years of on time payments and no returned checks), WSSC accepts personal checks. For customers with a WSSC account in good standing we may waive the deposit and directly bill the hydrant meter's water charges to a residential/commercial WSSC account.

Six-Month Permit Holders' Information

- ◆ Meter readings **must** be called in at the end of each month. Please call WSSC's 24-Hour Recorder Service at 301-206-4343 with your permit number, full name or name of company, and current reading including all zeros. (3/4" hydrant meters will have a 7 digit reading and 3" hydrant meters will have an 8 digit reading.)
- ◆ Fire Hydrant Meters cannot be used for more than the 6-month lease agreement. The meter must be returned to a WSSC rental facility on or before the expiration date noted on the lease agreement. If you need another fire hydrant meter, a new permit will be issued.
- ◆ **DEPOSITS DO NOT TRANSFER TO A NEW PERMIT.**

Required Documentation:

1. Name of the individual/business using the meter.
2. Street address of the individual/business using the meter.
3. Federal Tax I.D. Number (business).
4. Telephone number of the individual/business using the meter.
5. The intended use of the meter (e.g. filling pools, washing streets).
6. Valid Maryland, DC, or Virginia driver's license.
7. If chemicals are used in conjunction with the meter, provide specific name of the chemical(s).
8. Trucks are inspected for a 6-inch air gap at our Hyattsville facility. Each inspection requires a \$45 check.

Leasing Location Information

Location	Address	Hours (Mon.-Fri. Except Holidays)	Phone Number
Hyattsville (Customer Care Bldg.)	4102 Lloyd St. Hyattsville, Md. 20781	7:00a.m. -3:30 p.m.	301-206-4264
Temple Hills (Depot Warehouse)	8444 Temple Hills Rd. Temple Hills, Md. 20748	8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.	301-206-7318
Silver Spring (Lyttonsville Depot Warehouse)	2501 Lyttonsville Rd. Silver Spring, Md. 20910	8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.	301-206-7342
Gaithersburg (Depot Warehouse)	111 W. Diamond Ave. Gaithersburg, Md. 20879	8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.	301-206-7366

Fees and Charges

Size	3/4"	3"
Water Charge	\$2.82 Per 1,000 Gallons	
Minimum Water Consumption Charge	\$30.00 (approximately 6,224 gallons)	\$180.00 (approximately 37,344 gallons)
Service Charge	\$30.00 (2 week lease period) \$120.00 (2 weeks to 6 months)	\$120.00 (2 week lease period) \$120.00 (2 weeks to 6 months)
Late Fees	\$6.00 each business day the meter is not returned after permit has expired.	
Other fees	Damaged Meter	If the meter is damaged, the customer will be billed for parts and labor to repair the meter. Additionally, customers are responsible for the consumption and service charges.
	Lost/ Stolen Meters	If the meter is lost or stolen, a meter replacement fee (which is equal to the deposit) as well as the minimum consumption and service charge will be assessed.
Note: All fees and charges will be deducted from your deposit. If the fees and charges exceed your deposit, you will be mailed an invoice for the balance. If the fees and charges are less than your deposit, a refund will be issued 4-6 weeks after the meter is returned. If no deposit was required, charges will be billed to your WSSC water/sewer account.		

For more information go to www.wsscwater.com, click on **Customers** then **Meter FAQs (Meter Questions and Answers)** and refer to **questions 1 through 8**, or call **301-206-8000**, select a language; press **2** then **3**