

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GREY
Rural Water Line Connection Policy
Resolution No. 2026/108

POLICY STATEMENT:

To establish a standard rural water line connection fee and policy in the Rural Municipality of Grey.

PROCEDURES:

Rural water connection fees are intended for single family dwellings/farm operations to connect to rural water lines owned and operated by the Rural Municipality of Grey, where applicable.

FEES:

- \$12,500.00 (1-1/4" service line with meter package)
 - Meter package includes 5/8" Neptune water meter, 4 us gallon flow restrictor, pressure reducer valve (if required), dual check valve, back flow valve, and meter tailings (if required).

- \$14,000.00 (2" service line with meter package)
 - Meter package includes 3/4" Neptune water meter, 10 us gallon flow restrictor, pressure reducer valve (if required), dual check valve, back flow valve, and meter tailings (if required).

Payment in full is required prior to any works starting. The Municipality will obtain price estimates and once a contractor is hired, a curb stop at the property line will be installed by the Municipality and the appropriate meter package will be supplied by the Municipality to the property owner. Property Owners are responsible to have the service line connected to the curb stop, to run the service line into the household and to connect the new service to the household at the Property Owners' expense.

The Property Owner must apply and pay for a plumbing permit prior to any works starting. Contact the municipal office for further information.

In addition to the above fees, all connection fees charged to the Municipality by Water Co-operatives (Pembina Valley Water Co-operative or Cartier Regional Water Co-operative) will be passed on to the customer. The Municipality will invoice the customer for these costs, which are due within 30 days of receipt.

If a connection is part of a Municipal Water Expansion Project where government funding is being provided, a down payment of \$1,000.00 by the customer is required up front with the balance being due upon issuance of the first water bill. The Municipality will install a curb stop at the property line, supply the appropriate meter package and bring the service line to the household for the fees listed above. The Property Owner will still be responsible for the new service connected to the household by an contractor. All works must be inspected and signed off by the Utility Manager or Lead Operator.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Schedule A – Application Form. This form must be completed in full and submitted with associated fees to be added onto the RM of Grey’s New Connection List.

There will be only one (1) connection fee and meter package per one (1) roll #/parcel/lot permitted. Property Owners are not permitted to share a connection and/or meter package with a neighbouring roll #/parcel/lot.

Any unauthorized connections made to the water line system will be charged two times the normal costs for service as well as any other applicable charges the Municipality may incur.

Absolutely no Cross Connections are permitted, including but not limited to exiting well(s)/cistern(s) plumbed into the household.

This policy is in place for individual residential and individual commercial water line connections and not for multi lot subdivisions.

Any equipment needing replacement due to property owner mishandling (*including but not limited to; not keeping the meter in heated area, removal of meter tailings for any reason, etc.*) will be at the Property Owners’ expense. All replacements must be inspected and signed off by the RM of Grey Utility Manager or Lead Operator prior to use.

Any other equipment required (*including but not limited to; in-house pressure boosters, expansion tanks, pressure-reducing valves, flow restrictors, etc.*) will be at the Property Owners’ expense and must be inspected and signed off by the RM of Grey Utility Manager or Lead Operator prior to use.

Any other equipment that may be required or identified from time to time, shall be installed by qualified individuals and will be at the Property Owners’ expense. All equipment must be inspected and signed off by the RM of Grey Utility Manager or Lead Operator.

All new water connections will be inspected by the Utility Manager or Lead Operator before curb stops are turned on. Property Owners must notify the municipal office to make arrangements for this inspection at least 24 hours before making the final connection.

The RM of Grey reserves the right to inspect all water lines, meters and connections on private property at any time. The Property Owner further agrees to grant the Municipality or relevant authority any easement across, on or under the land necessary for the installation of the connection.

Any repairs to the water service line and or meter package from the curb stop at the property line to and inside the residence/business will be at the Property Owners’ expense.

Costs and fees are subject to change at any time without notice.

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SCHEDULE A

BUSINESS NAME (if applicable): _____

APPLICANT NAME: _____

APPLICANT NAME: _____

FULL MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

1. I, _____ being an Owner or the Owner's Agent, (the "owner") of land in the Rural Municipality of Grey (the "Municipality") commonly known or legally described as, _____, (the "land") hereby applies to the Municipality to install a residential or business (circle one) water and or sewer service connection.

2. The owner agrees to pay to the Municipality the connection fee, plumbing permit and applicable charges from Water Cooperatives in full, prior to the installation of the water and/or sewer service.

UTILITY FEE & LOCATION:

Fee: _____ Legal Land Location: _____

3. **IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED:**
 - a. that such installation will consist of approved materials to the property line of the owner (the "connection");
 - b. that the final connection, on private property, from the curb stop will be the responsibility of the owner and shall be installed in structure that is heated and secure before a water meter package is supplied by the Municipality.
 - c. that the Municipality will supply the necessary curb stop and water meter package; the cost of which is included in the connection fee paid or payable as outlined herein.

4. The owner further agrees to grant the Municipality or relevant authority any easement across, on or under the land necessary for the installation of the connection.

5. This application is a legally binding agreement for the owner to pay the connection fee, accordance with Section 2 herein, prior to installation of the connection.

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6. ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY BY OWNER or OWNER'S AGENT

I, the undersigned, do hereby agree to the following:

- a. That prior to commencement of any part of the above project, the Municipality will be given 24 hours' notice so that a representative of the Utility Department can be present during the connection to the municipal service(s).
- b. That no connections to municipal services will be made outside of regular weekday hours except by prior written approval by the Utility Department.
- c. That during the construction of the above works, all due caution will be exercised to minimize the damage to public property.
- d. * That, I am ultimately responsible for the cost of repairs to municipal infrastructure if damaged due to operations undertaken in conjunction with the above project.

Owner: _____
(Signature)

Date: _____

Owner: _____
(Signature)

Date: _____

** The Applicant agrees that any unpaid fees or charges owing to the Municipality that relate to the water installation to the property, including any penalties or costs, (Clause 6 - d) related thereto may be added to the property taxes and may be collected by the Municipality in the same manner as a tax may be collected or enforced under the Municipal Act.*