



South Staffs Water



Cambridge Water

Statement of Indicative Wholesale Water Charges and Charges Scheme

2023-24

October 2022

South Staffs Water and Cambridge Water Indicative Wholesale Charges Scheme

Since April 2017, eligible business customers have been able to switch their retail supplier. The tariffs set out in this document form the wholesale part of the total end user charge and as such exclude the retail costs of providing water to the end customer.

In order to allow retailers sufficient time to develop their retail pricing proposals ahead of the beginning of the charging year, companies also have to publish indicative wholesale charges three months before final charges are published and these are contained within this document. Final wholesale charges will be published in January 2023 and will be updated using the latest information available including the November 2022 CPIH.

This charges scheme sets out our indicative wholesale charges to provide water to a retailer. All charges are effective from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024, unless otherwise stated.

Retailers should read these charges in conjunction with the terms set out in their wholesale contract for wholesale services.

This document also sets out the indicative wholesale charges for customers on special agreements who are eligible to switch to a retailer. If any interested party wishes to discuss these agreements then please e-mail wholesaleservices@south-staffs-water.co.uk

The non-household charges outlined below do not apply to vacant measured non-household properties. However, if meter readings record consumption at the property, normal charges will apply. Unmeasured vacant properties are also not charged.

South Staffordshire Water PLC

Board Approval of Wholesale Charges for 2023-24

Assurance Statement

In approving the indicative charges for 2023-24, the Directors confirm that they comply with the following provisions. This statement also sets out how the Board has assured itself of each provision.

1. The Company complies with its legal obligations (including competition law) relating to the wholesale charges published.

The water industry is subject to UK and EU competition law.

In order to ensure compliance, the Company has adhered to the Wholesale charging rules as set out by Ofwat in its Instrument of Appointment so that no undue preference or discrimination has been shown to any class of customer. Clear principles have been applied in setting tariffs such that customers pay the same amount for the same service, resulting in household and non-household tariffs being the same, except for any large user discount that could be justified, measured and unmeasured differentials represented by additional metering costs, and the historic differential between South Staffs and Cambridge regions being broadly maintained.

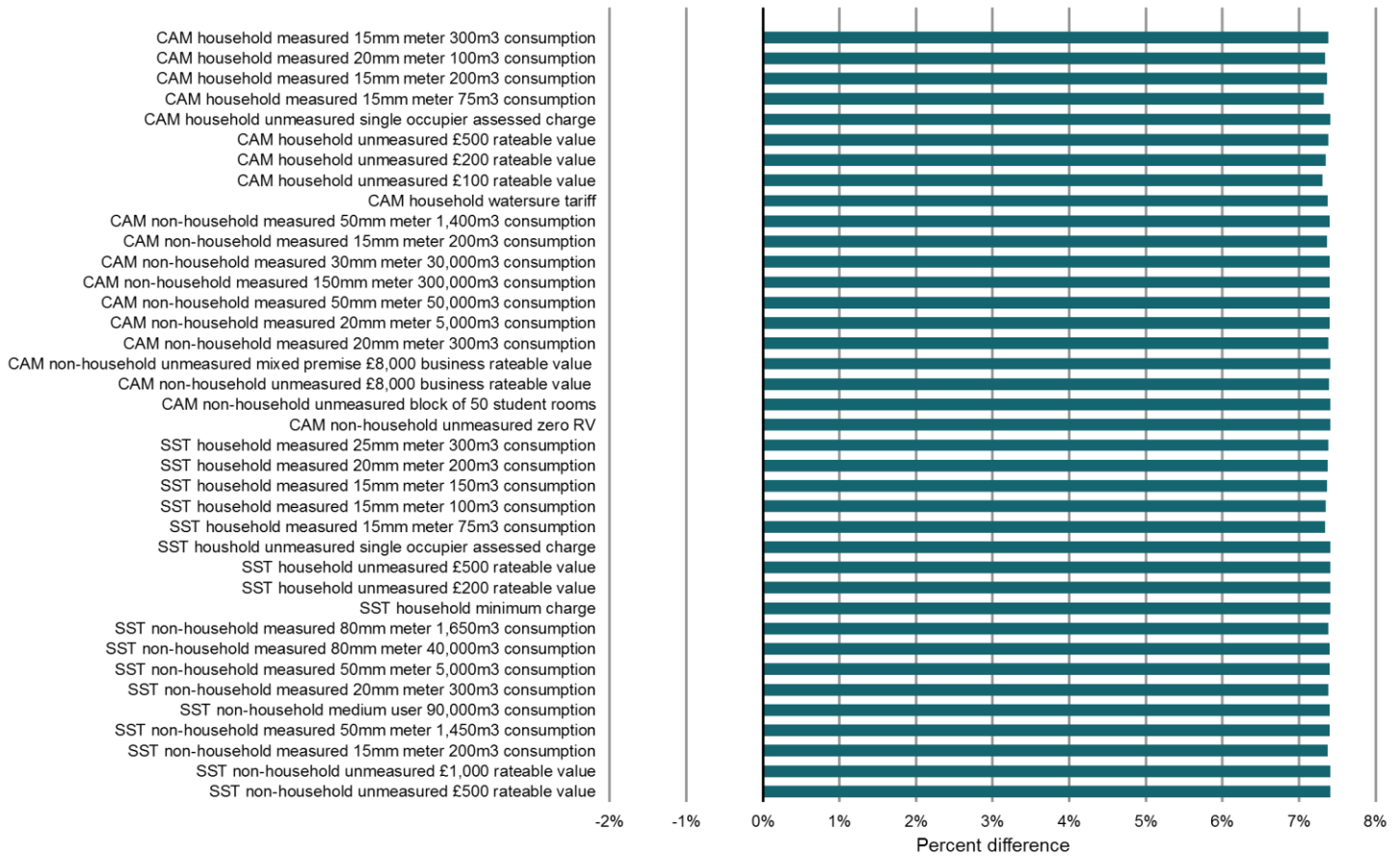
The Company's charges fully comply with these principles.

2. The Board has assessed the effects of the new charges on water supply licensees (as a whole or in groups) who are retailing wholesale services and on customers occupying Eligible Premises (as a whole or in groups) and approves the impact assessments and handling strategies developed in instances where bill increases for licensees (as a whole or in groups) who are retailing wholesale services and on customers occupying Eligible Premises (as a whole or in groups) exceed 5%.

We have assumed that the November CPIH inflation rate will be 10%. As a result, draft wholesale charges will increase by around 7.2%. We have communicated this increase to retailers in advance in order to give them the maximum amount of time to consider the impact on their own retail charges to customers.

A sample of customers on different tariffs has been chosen to demonstrate the impact and is set out graphically below:

Incidence effects on selected customers - Wholesale bill



3. The Company has appropriate systems and processes in place (including up-to-date models and data) to make sure that the information published about its wholesale charges is accurate.

We have used information from established reports from the Company’s billing system.

The individuals involved at both Echo and the Water Company have been with the Company for a number of years and are familiar with the processes and information sources. In addition, although external assurance is not required, the Company’s internal audit function has been used to give independent assurance on the data used. This approach is reviewed annually.

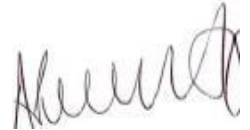
Finally, the Company along with one other water only company has continued to use the services of Frontier Economics to produce a tariffs model to aid the setting of compliant charges.

4. The Company has consulted with relevant stakeholders in a timely and effective manner on its wholesale charges schemes.

A statement setting out the proposed Wholesale charges was circulated to all Retailers supplied by the Company at the beginning of October 2022.

We have also confirmed with CCWater that we are not planning any changes to charges or rebalancing which will create bill shocks for some customers.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 29 September 2022 and signed on its behalf.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Willicott', is positioned above the printed name and title.

**Andy Willicott
Managing Director
South Staffordshire Water PLC**

2023-24 Indicative Wholesale Charges Schemes

South Staffs Region Household- Measured

Measured water					
Standing charges	£ per meter per annum				
<15mm	24.69				
15mm	24.69				
16-19mm	24.69				
20mm	24.69				
21mm	24.69				
22mm	24.69				
23-24mm	24.69				
25mm	24.69				
26-28mm	24.69				
29-30mm	24.69				
31-35mm	24.69				
36-40mm	24.69				
41-42mm	24.69				
43-49mm	24.69				
50mm	24.69				
51-54mm	135.28				
55-64mm	135.28				
65mm	135.28				
66-79mm	135.28				
80mm	135.28				
81-99mm	146.68				
100mm	146.68				
101-199mm	184.46				
Volumetric charges per m ³ – fixed band	Apr	May	Jun-Aug	Sep	Oct-Mar
Up to 0.5 Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
0.5-1 Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
1-3 Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
3-5 Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
5-10Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
10-15Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
15-20Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
20-25 Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
25-50 Ml pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204

South Staffs Region Non-Household- Measured

Measured water	
Standing charges	£ per meter per annum
<15mm	24.69
15mm	24.69
16-19mm	24.69
20mm	24.69
21mm	24.69
22mm	24.69
23-24mm	24.69
25mm	24.69
26-28mm	24.69
29-30mm	24.69
31-35mm	24.69
36-40mm	24.69
41-42mm	24.69
43-49mm	24.69
50mm	24.69
51-54mm	135.28
55-64mm	135.28
65mm	135.28
66-79mm	135.28
80mm	135.28
81-99mm	146.68
100mm	146.68
101-199mm	184.46
200mm	184.46
201mm and above	3310.62
Other applicable fixed charges	
50-100 MI pa	2457.95

The below table relates to forecast annual usage - it is not a rising block tariff

Volumetric charges per m ³ – fixed band	Apr	May	Jun-Aug	Sep	Oct-Mar
Up to 0.5 MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
0.5-1 MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
1-3 MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
3-5 MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
5-10MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
10-15MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
15-20MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
20-25 MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
25-50 MI pa	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204	1.2204
50-100 MI pa	1.1532	1.1532	1.1532	1.1532	1.1532

Other applicable fixed charges (reservation tariff) – reservation fee	Apr-Sep	Oct-Mar
0.3MI peak monthly demand	36156.85	24103.49
0.4MI peak monthly demand	38868.70	25913.55
0.5MI peak monthly demand	41581.63	27720.36
0.6MI peak monthly demand	44291.30	29529.34
0.7MI peak monthly demand	47005.31	31335.07
0.8MI peak monthly demand	49717.16	33142.97
0.9MI peak monthly demand	52427.92	34953.03
1.0MI peak monthly demand	57081.90	38055.69
Each additional 0.1MI peak monthly demand	4757.91	3170.85

Volumetric charges per m ³ (reservation tariff)	Within reservation volume	In excess of reservation volume
Up to 350MI pa	0.5527	1.5517
Over 350MI pa	0.5332	1.5738

South Staffs Region Household- Unmeasured

Unmeasured water	
Standing / fixed charge	£ Per annum
Minimum charge	76.93
Assessed (Detached)	261.45
Assessed description (Semi-Detached)	206.55
Assessed description (Other)	147.71
Assessed description (Single Occupier)	90.98
Variable	
RV < £1,001	0.7828
RV £1,001 - £5,000	0.7828
RV £5,001 - £50,000	0.7828
RV >£50,000	0.7828
Other	
Swimming pool <90m3 capacity	88.89
Swimming pool 90+m3 capacity	88.89

South Staffs Region Non-Household - Unmeasured

Unmeasured water	
Standing / fixed charge	£ Per annum
Minimum charge	76.93
Assessed (Detached)	261.45
Assessed description (Semi-Detached)	206.55
Assessed description (Other)	147.71
Assessed description (Single Occupier)	90.98
Places of Worship	76.93
Garden Taps/Taps at Allotments	76.93
Swimming pool <90m3 capacity	88.89
Cattle Troughs	102.47
Variable	£ Per annum
RV min< £1,001	0.7828
RV £1,001 - £5,000	0.7828
RV £5,001 - £50,000	0.7828
RV >£50,000	0.7828

Cambridge Region Household- Measured

Standing charges	£ per meter per annum
<15mm	24.69
15mm	24.69
16-19mm	24.69
20mm	24.69
21mm	24.69
22mm	24.69
23-24mm	24.69
25mm	24.69
26-28mm	24.69
29-30mm	24.69
31-35mm	24.69
36-40mm	24.69
41-42mm	24.69
43-49mm	24.69
50mm	24.69
51-54mm	135.28
55-64mm	135.28
65mm	135.28
66-79mm	135.28
80mm	135.28
81-99mm	146.68
100mm	146.68

The below table relates to forecast annual usage - it is not a rising block tariff

Volumetric charges per m ³ - fixed band	Apr	May	Jun-Aug	Sep	Oct-Mar
Up to 0.5 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
0.5-1 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
1-3 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
3-5 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
5-10 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
10-15 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
15-20 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
20-25 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
25-50 Ml pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
Volumetric charges per m ³ - fixed band (Eddington Non-Potable Water)	Apr	May	Jun-Aug	Sep	Oct-Mar
Up to 0.5 Ml pa	0.8850	0.8850	0.8850	0.8850	0.8850

Cambridge Region Non-Household- Measured

Measured water	
Standing charges	£ per meter per annum
<15mm	24.69
15mm	24.69
16-19mm	24.69
20mm	24.69
21mm	24.69
22mm	24.69
23-24mm	24.69
25mm	24.69
26-28mm	24.69
29-30mm	24.69
31-35mm	24.69
36-40mm	24.69
41-42mm	24.69
43-49mm	24.69
50mm	24.69
51-54mm	135.28
55-64mm	135.28
65mm	135.28
66-79mm	135.28
80mm	135.28
81-99mm	146.68
100mm	146.68
101-199mm	184.46
200mm	184.46
80mm inferential	135.28
>100m inferential	184.46

The below table relates to forecast annual usage - it is not a rising block tariff

Volumetric charges per m ³ – fixed band	Apr	May	Jun-Aug	Sep	Oct-Mar
Up to 0.5 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
0.5-1 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
1-3 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
3-5 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
5-10MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
10-15MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
15-20MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
20-25 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
25-50 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
50-100 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
100-150 MI pa	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834	0.9834
150-175 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
175-180 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
180-250MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
250-500 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
500-750 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
750-1,000 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
1,000-2,500 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
2,500 - 3,000 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
Over 3,000 MI pa	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772	0.7772
Volumetric charges per m ³ – fixed band (Non-Potable Water)	Apr	May	Jun-Aug	Sep	Oct-Mar
Up to 0.5 MI pa	0.8850	0.8850	0.8850	0.8850	0.8850

Cambridge Region Household – Unmeasured

Unmeasured water	
Standing / fixed charge	£ Per annum
Minimum charge	27.82
RV min< £1,001	27.82
RV £1,001 - £5,000	27.82
RV £5,001 - £50,000	27.82
RV >£50,000	27.82
Variable	
RV < £1,001	0.5965
RV £1,001 - £5,000	0.5965
RV £5,001 - £50,000	0.5965
RV >£50,000	0.5965
Assessed (Detached)	185.32
Assessed (Semi-Detached)	155.09
Assessed (Other)	88.95
Other	
1 Tap	58.99

Cambridge Region Non-household – Unmeasured

Unmeasured water	
Standing / fixed charge	£ Per annum
Minimum charge	26.20
RV min < £1,001	26.20
RV £1,001 - £5,000	26.20
RV £5,001 - £50,000	26.20
RV >£50,000	26.20
No / Zero RV	24.66
Licence charge (mixed properties)	117.03
Variable	
RV < £1,001	0.0576
RV £1,001 - £5,000	0.0576
RV £5,001 - £50,000	0.0576
RV >£50,000	0.0576
Other	
Student Rooms	105.17

Special Agreements - South Staffs Region

Code (Defined)	Comment	Allowance (m3)	Applicable Wholesale volumetric Rate	Number of Customers
AW001	Fixed Volume Allowance	24	1.2204	1
AW002	Fixed Volume Allowance	40	1.2204	2
AW003	Fixed Volume Allowance	56	1.2204	5
AW004	Fixed Volume Allowance	60	1.2204	8
AW005	Fixed Volume Allowance	64	1.2204	1
AW006	Fixed Volume Allowance	68	1.2204	3
AW007	Fixed Volume Allowance	70	1.2204	1
AW008	Fixed Volume Allowance	72	1.2204	3
AW009	Fixed Volume Allowance	76	1.2204	4
AW010	Fixed Volume Allowance	84	1.2204	1
AW011	Fixed Volume Allowance	88	1.2204	3
AW012	Fixed Volume Allowance	92	1.2204	2
AW013	Fixed Volume Allowance	94	1.2204	1
AW014	Fixed Volume Allowance	96	1.1532	1
AW015	Fixed Volume Allowance	96	1.2204	4
AW016	Fixed Volume Allowance	100	1.2204	2
AW017	Fixed Volume Allowance	101	1.2204	1
AW018	Fixed Volume Allowance	104	1.2204	1
AW019	Fixed Volume Allowance	108	1.2204	2
AW020	Fixed Volume Allowance	112	1.2204	1
AW021	Fixed Volume Allowance	120	1.2204	4
AW022	Fixed Volume Allowance	128	1.2204	2
AW023	Fixed Volume Allowance	132	1.2204	1
AW024	Fixed Volume Allowance	140	1.2204	2
AW025	Fixed Volume Allowance	141	1.2204	1
AW026	Fixed Volume Allowance	144	1.2204	3
AW027	Fixed Volume Allowance	146	1.2204	1
AW028	Fixed Volume Allowance	148	1.2204	1
AW029	Fixed Volume Allowance	152	1.2204	1
AW030	Fixed Volume Allowance	158	1.2204	1
AW031	Fixed Volume Allowance	160	1.2204	1
AW032	Fixed Volume Allowance	164	1.2204	2
AW033	Fixed Volume Allowance	176	1.2204	2
AW034	Fixed Volume Allowance	180	1.2204	2
AW035	Fixed Volume Allowance	184	1.2204	1
AW036	Fixed Volume Allowance	192	1.2204	1
AW037	Fixed Volume Allowance	196	1.2204	2
AW038	Fixed Volume Allowance	200	1.2204	2
AW039	Fixed Volume Allowance	208	1.2204	1
AW040	Fixed Volume Allowance	216	1.2204	1
AW041	Fixed Volume Allowance	220	1.2204	1
AW043	Fixed Volume Allowance	233	1.2204	1
AW044	Fixed Volume Allowance	236	1.2204	1
AW045	Fixed Volume Allowance	240	1.2204	1
AW046	Fixed Volume Allowance	244	1.2204	1
AW047	Fixed Volume Allowance	248	1.2204	1
AW048	Fixed Volume Allowance	250	1.2204	1
AW049	Fixed Volume Allowance	256	1.2204	2
AW050	Fixed Volume Allowance	264	1.2204	1
AW051	Fixed Volume Allowance	276	1.2204	1
AW052	Fixed Volume Allowance	288	1.2204	1
AW053	Fixed Volume Allowance	296	1.2204	1
AW054	Fixed Volume Allowance	328	1.2204	1
AW056	Fixed Volume Allowance	348	1.2204	1
AW057	Fixed Volume Allowance	350	1.2204	1
AW058	Fixed Volume Allowance	368	1.2204	2
AW059	Fixed Volume Allowance	372	1.2204	1
AW060	Fixed Volume Allowance	376	1.2204	1
AW061	Fixed Volume Allowance	392	1.2204	1
AW062	Fixed Volume Allowance	434	1.2204	1
AW063	Fixed Volume Allowance	436	1.2204	1
AW064	Fixed Volume Allowance	440	1.2204	1
AW065	Fixed Volume Allowance	444	1.2204	1
AW066	Fixed Volume Allowance	452	1.2204	1
AW067	Fixed Volume Allowance	500	1.2204	1
AW068	Fixed Volume Allowance	528	1.2204	2
AW069	Fixed Volume Allowance	544	1.2204	1
AW070	Fixed Volume Allowance	612	1.2204	2
AW071	Fixed Volume Allowance	660	1.2204	1
AW074	Fixed Volume Allowance	905	1.2204	1
AW075	Fixed Volume Allowance	956	1.2204	1
AW077	Fixed Volume Allowance	1164	1.2204	1
AW078	Fixed Volume Allowance	1364	1.2204	1
AW080	Fixed Volume Allowance	1816	1.2204	2
AW081	Fixed Volume Allowance	5508	1.2204	3
AW082	Fixed Volume Allowance	232	1.2204	1
AW083	Fixed Volume Allowance	344	1.2204	1
AW084	Fixed Volume Allowance	792	1.2204	1
AW085	Fixed Volume Allowance	836	1.2204	1
AW086	Fixed Volume Allowance	1088	1.2204	1
AW087	Fixed Volume Allowance	1536	1.2204	1
AW088	Percentage Volume Allowance	2%	1.2204	1