

LAWN METER FOR OUTDOOR WATER CONSUMPTION

The City of Hartford has available to its sewer customers, a Lawn Meter Program for outdoor water consumption (sprinklers, pools, etc). The lawn meters shall measure only water which is not discharged to the City’s sanitary sewer system. The City of Hartford shall have the sole right to determine if an applicant’s intended use of a lawn meter is appropriate.

There is no service ready fee and/or sewer consumption rate/1,000 gallons measured on this meter.

The purchase price of lawn meters is \$125 as set by Council from time to time. This price includes the meter, equipment and attachments, as well as administrative fees. It does not include any modification of the customer’s plumbing to route outside water through the meter. This work must be done by the customer or a plumbing contractor. All plumbing work by the customer or the contractor shall be done in accordance with the local plumbing codes. Please note, that credit will not be given for meters reading incorrectly.

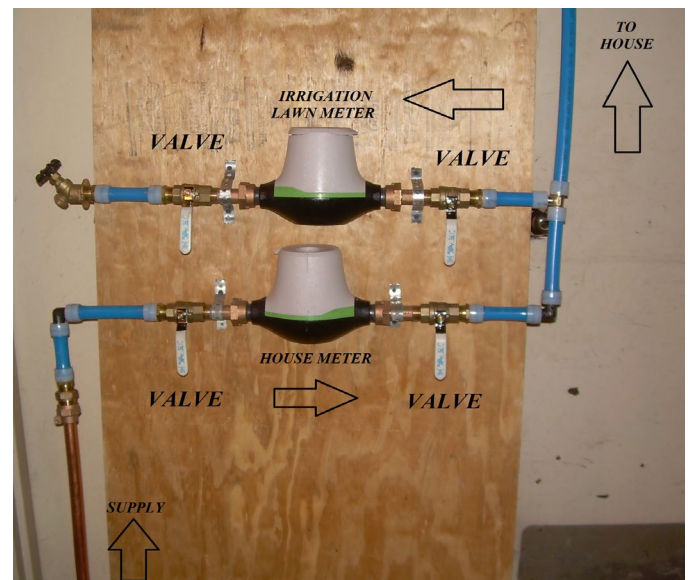
The customer is responsible for the lawn meter after purchase. They are susceptible to breakage during the colder months if not properly disconnected and stored. Refunds and replacements will not be given for broken or damaged meters.

1. Lawn meters are available at City Hall 19 W Main, Hartford, MI 49057
2. If you are installing an irrigation system in the right of way, a permit is required.
3. The property owner is responsible for making all necessary modifications to the building plumbing to provide an installation.
4. Once the meter has been installed and the plumber has performed a Backflow Preventer Test (as necessary), contact Public Works at 269-208-5238 or City Hall at 269-621-2477 to schedule an appointment to inspect the installation of the lawn meter

Customers are responsible for photographing their meter numbers at least quarterly and emailing the photo and address to cityclerk@cityofhartfordmi.org no later than the 15th of April, July, and Oct, and a final reading by December 15th of each year. A member of the City’s staff is available to read your meter for a fee of \$25/quarter. The City will provide credits once per quarter for each reading provided. Anyone not providing photographic evidence of metered usage will not receive sanitary sewer credit for the quarter and anyone not submitting a final reading by December 15th will need to make arrangements with the City Clerk to continue to participate in the program for the next year.

PLUMBING REQUIREMENTS

1. The lawn meter shall be installed as close to the main supply line meter as possible, using the installation diagram to the right →.
2. The meter shall be installed using shut off valves on each side of meter with supplied meter spuds.
3. No taps are permitted inside the house, downstream of the lawn meter.
4. The irrigation system pressure vacuum breaker or RPZ backflow preventor must be installed and inspected by the City before it is put in service. It is highly recommended that a hose bib vacuum breaker be used on all outside hose connections. This would eliminate any chance of contaminated water getting back into the household drinking water through back-siphoning. These hose bib vacuum breakers are available at most plumbing supply stores.



PLUMBING TO YOUR OUTDOOR SPIGOT

1. Meter must be installed on a flat surface near your outdoor water faucet/spigot.
2. The hose must be connected to the coupling with the arrow facing the direction of water discharge
3. You must ensure that your meter is free of debris at all times
4. You should verify that the meter is reading your water usage upon 1st connection and each year upon reconnection



LAWN METER FOR OUTDOOR WATER CONSUMPTION

APPLICATION FOR LAWN METER PURCHASE AND INSPECTION

Customer Name: _____

Service Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Meter Number: _____ Appointment Date/Time: _____

Initial Meter Reading: _____

Amount Due: \$125.00*

**This price includes the meter and attachments. It does not include installation of the meter, any modification of the customer's plumbing to route outside water through the meter or any readings. This work must be done by the customer or a plumbing contractor.*

The undersigned hereby requests a lawn meter for the purpose of measuring water consumption not discharged to the sanitary sewer collection system. Customer understands that he/she is responsible for preparing all building plumbing for installation of the meter in accordance with applicable plumbing codes and with utility specifications as provided herein and determined at the time of pre-installation inspection.

Customer agrees to photograph meter monthly and email the photo and address to cityclerk@cityofhartfordmi.org no later than the 15th of April, July, September and December. Customer understands that not providing photographic evidence of metered usage will result in a lack of sanitary sewer credit for the quarter.

Undersigned agrees to use the lawn meter only for the measurement of water used outside the home and not discharged to the sanitary sewer collection system. Customer understands if they violate this agreement, that they will be banned from the City's lawn meter program and may be subject to legal penalties for theft of utilities.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

Amount Paid: \$ _____ Received By: _____ Date: _____