

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

STORMWATER FEE SCHEDULE Effective FY 2021

Description	Fee Class	Impervious Area (ERUs)	Quarterly Fee	Annual Cost
Small Residential				
	Single Family Residential (SFR)	1 ERU	\$24	\$96
	Condominium Unit	1 ERU	\$24	\$96
	2 & 3 Family Residential (R2)	2 ERUs	\$48	\$192
	Senior (Over 65 SFR) & Lifeline	0.5 ERU	\$12	\$48
Non-Residential and Residential Greater than 3 units				
	Proportional	Parcel # of ERUs	x \$24 / Quarter	

Notes:

1. The Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) is a commonly used unit of measure for impervious area and is used to establish stormwater fees that are fair, equitable, and easily understood. One ERU is defined as the median amount of impervious cover of all single-family residential (SFR) parcels in Town (3,025 square feet in Bellingham). The impervious area of all other parcels is then divided by this value to obtain the number of Equivalent Residential Units for each parcel. The impervious areas for each parcel was determined by using the 2016 data and mapping available from MassGIS.

2. SFR properties are charged a uniform fee of 1 ERU. Condominium unit owners will be charged 1 ERU. Two and three-family residential properties are charged a fee of 2 ERUs. Large Residential (4 or more units) and Non-Residential parcels will be charged based upon the number of ERUs (impervious surface / 3,025 SF).

3. Proportional ERU per property shall be rounded to a whole number. Decimal Values of 0.5 or greater shall be rounded up. Decimal values of less than 0.5 will be rounded down. (Example: ERU calculated to be 1.5 shall be billed at 2.0 ERU. ERU calculated to be 1.49 shall be billed at 1.0 ERU)

4. Property owners can apply for stormwater credits to reduce their costs. See the Bellingham Stormwater Utility Credit Policy available at the Department of Public Works for more information. The Bellingham Credit Policy will be published by September 15, 2020.

Approved
Bellingham Select Board

Date: August 24, 2020




