

Elmwood Township – Timberlee Water Bills

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The 2025 minimum water billing for Elmwood Township – Timberlee is \$35.50 per month/per benefit (a single family home is 1 benefit).

Increases for Elmwood Township-Timberlee (scheduled at this time)

<u>Date of Change</u>	<u>Water Minimum</u> <u>For 468 Cu. Ft.</u> <u>Per Month</u>	<u>Per 100 Cu. Ft.</u> <u>Over Minimum</u>
01/01/2026	\$38.00	\$2.14
01/01/2027	\$40.75	\$2.29
01/01/2028	\$43.50	\$2.45

The charges for water are calculated by cubic feet. One cubic foot is approximately 7.48 gallons.

Included in the monthly billing is the first 468 cubic feet of water (468 x 7.48 to get 3,501 gallons).

To calculate: \$35.50 divided by 468 cubic feet = \$.07586 per cubic foot OR \$35.50 divided by 3,501 gallons = \$.01014 per gallon (about 1 penny per gallon).

If you use more than 468 cubic feet (3,501 gallons) of water per month the cost is an additional \$2.00 for every 100 cubic feet (or \$2.00 for every 748 gallons).

To calculate: \$2.00 divided by 100 cu. ft. = \$.02 per cubic foot OR \$2.00 divided by 100 divided by 7.48 gallons = \$.00267 per gallon (2/10th of a penny per gallon).

If you look at your water bill you will see the Current Reading and Previous Reading in the middle of the bill with the total consumption directly below (Units Used).

Example #1: Current Reading 1,458
 Previous Reading - subtract from Current Reading 1,000
 Water use was 458 cubic feet
 (Or $458 \times 7.48 = 3,426$ gallons)

Since the Water use is 458 cubic feet and this is less than 468 the bill is the minimum amount of \$35.50.

Example #2: Current Reading	13,500
Previous Reading-subtract from Current Reading	<u>5,500</u>
Water use was	8,000 cubic feet
(Or 8,000 x 7.48 = <u>59,840</u> gallons)	

Since this is over the 468 minimum, the bill would be calculated like this:

$ \begin{array}{r} 8,000 \\ -468 \\ \hline 7,532 \end{array} $	\$ 35.50 (\$35.50 for the first 468 cu. ft.) <u>\$150.64</u> (\$2.00 for each 100 cu. ft. over 468) \$186.14
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