

ORDINANCE FOR EAGLE RIVER WATER SYSTEM

The following set of rules will be used to guide the operation of the Eagle River Water Department. The rules may be changed or modified at the discretion of the Houghton Township Board.

1. The Township board is the governing body of the Eagle River Water Department and has the final say in any matter or rule concerning it's (the water system) operation.
2. Billing and meter reading will take place four times a year on the first of each of the following months: April, July, October, and January.
3. A late charge will be assessed on any outstanding balance not paid by the first of the month following the month in which the bill was issued. The late fee will be 1.5% per month, of the balance due. (If the water bill goes unpaid for three pay periods a two week notice will be given that the water will be turned off.)
4. Turn-off's and turn-on's must be done by the System Operator or his Assistant. Any turn-off's not performed by the System Operator or his Assistant will not be recognized by the water system and billing will continue. There is a five day grace period for turn-on's and turn-off's. Example: If you ask to have your water turned off on June 5th or before, you will not be charged the minimum for June, but if you have the water turned off June 6th or later in June, you will be charged the minimum for June (\$10.00). If you ask to have your water turned on May 27th or later in May you will not be charge for the month of May, but if you have the water turned on May 26th or before in May, you will be charged for the month of May (\$10.00).
5. Repairs from the shut-off valve to the inside of the building are the responsibility of each individual user. This does not include the water meter, which is owned by the water department. If a customer refuses to repair water leaks from the shut-off valve to the inside of their house, a two week notice will be given, after which time their water will be turned off. If it is determined that the leak is causing the water system to fail their water will be shut off immediately.
6. All users must comply with the Cross Connection Ordinance established by the Township Board on March 10, 1987. The main purpose of this rule is to prevent wells from being used in conjunction with the water system which could lead to system contamination.
7. Any new installations or repairs of plumbing must be lead free in nature.
8. If a residential customer is asked to let their water run because of possible freeze up, they will only be charged the minimum along with the maintenance fee. They will not be charged for the extra water used. If a commercial customer is asked to let their water run because of a

possible freeze up, they will be charged the amount that they paid the previous year for that period.

9. For new customers who would like to hook up to our water system, there will be a \$1,000.00 onetime fee. They are responsible for all costs associated with tapping into the main and running the service line to their house or business. This will include a proper underground shut-off valve and buffalo box for access.

10. CURRENT RATE SCHEDULE AS OF 2015

Initial 1000 gallons per month -----	\$10.00
Each additional 1000 gallons -----	\$3.00 ----- \$4.00 for commercial customers
Turn-on -----	\$35.00
Maintenance Fee per month (Residential user only) -----	\$10.00

The monthly maintenance fee for commercial users is determined by the gallons of water used the previous year. That number is divided by 50,000 and multiplied by \$10.00 to determine the monthly maintenance fee for a commercial user.