

# SA Water

## Barossa Valley, Eden Valley and Clare Valley Off Peak Water Transportation

### Schedule of Charges 2025-2026

#### Overview

This schedule sets out the charges that apply in relation to off peak water transportation services we provide to irrigators in the Barossa Valley, Eden Valley and Clare Valley.

These charges apply to off peak water transportation services only. River Murray water must be purchased by customers prior to transportation and a license/allocation, and appropriate permits will need to be obtained from Department for Environment and Water.

For further information, please contact us on 0436 407 161.

#### Period of operation

This schedule of charges is valid for off-peak water transportation services provided by us between 1 April 2025 and 30 November 2025, unless otherwise specified.

#### Scope

The charges only apply in relation to off-peak water transportation services provided within South Australia for the delivery of water taken from the River Murray in accordance with the Water Allocation Plan for the River Murray Prescribed Watercourse.

The charges apply to water transported during either of the three off peak water supply periods listed below:

1 April to 31 October; or

1 April to 30 November; or

1 May to 30 November.

This schedule does not apply to customers who purchase water from SA Water.

#### Availability

**Off-peak water transportation services** are only available in the Barossa Valley, Eden Valley and from the Clare Valley Water Supply System Area during the off-peak periods.

New connections are subject to available capacity in our infrastructure.

#### Eligibility

In order to be eligible for the provision of an off-peak water transportation service, you will require a current class 3 - high security water access entitlement or water allocation right to take water from the River Murray as well as appropriate site permits from the South Australian Department for Environment and Water.



These authorisations must be valid and in effect at the time the customer's water is being transported.

## Off peak water transportation service

### Fixed charges

Charge name	Amount
Reservation fee	\$100.00 per ML plus GST
Consumption fee	\$1.502 per kL plus GST

### Notes

- The reservation fee and consumption fee attract GST.
- The consumption fee is levied on the volume of water transported.
  - There is a minimum transportation fee for the water transport service to be paid regardless of whether or not the water has been transported. You will be asked to agree the annual volume of water that you intend to use. The minimum transportation fee is one third of this figure multiplied by the charge per kilolitre.
  - Appendix A provides two examples of how off-peak transportation fees are applied. Further information is in the Water Transportation Agreement that you will be asked to sign after the annual volume that you intend to use has been agreed and you have been advised of, and have agreed, the connection fees for your service.
- The reservation fee and minimum transportation fee are charged in quarterly instalments.
- Off peak transportation fees are billed quarterly. Invoices will be mailed to you at the contact address you have notified to us. The time for payment will be stated on the invoice. Payment arrangements can be entered into on request.
- You will require a smart meter and we will provide a quote for installation on confirmation that a connection is available.
- Period of supply
  - 1 April to 31 October; or
  - 1 April to 30 November; or
  - 1 May to 30 November
- Length of agreement
  - Five years with two additional terms of five years
- SA Water determines the off-peak transportation charges based on operational costs to deliver the water. The charges are adjusted each year by increases in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) ABS September Ending Table 6401.0 Series ID A2325822K. The charges in this schedule have already been adjusted and are effective for the period of operation described above.

### Connection and Disconnection Services

Connection / disconnection fees are available [here](#). A connection invoice and design will be provided to you for your consideration together with a copy of this schedule of charges during the connection application process.



## The Schedule of Charges – Beyond Allocation – Non-Residential Water Prices

Fees payable for water supplied in excess of the volume described in any particular customer allocation, and/or water transported outside any period agreed or set for any particular customer - will be charged at the non-residential water price - for the period in which that supply takes place – the non-residential water prices are described on the [non-residential water prices](#) page on SA Water's website.

### Description of charges for water transportation services

Charge name	Service description
Reservation fee	Reserves transportation capacity in the network mains and payable on the agreed volume.
Consumption fee	Payable for water transported under an off-peak transportation agreement. This fee recovers operational costs for water transportation such as pumping, water treatment, overheads, and depreciation.
Non-residential water rate	Our non-residential customers include anyone who is not a residential or commercial customer and includes businesses, sporting clubs, not for profit and charity organisations, and country lands. Rates can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
Connection/disconnection fee	The physical connection/disconnection of the customer to and from our water distribution network, including the meter and any smart metering device.

### Generally available discounts

We do not offer discounts or reductions in relation to the charges set out in this schedule.

### Payment Options

Bill payment can be made through multiple options. BPAY, online payment, phone payment, direct debit, payment by mail and payment in person are available. Details are stipulated on the SA Water invoice.

### Hardship policy

We offer a hardship policy which applies to customers subject to our standard retail water supply contract for residential customers. In appropriate circumstances, we will consider applying a similar approach to customers receiving water transportation services. Information about our hardship policy is available [here](#).

### Contact us

If you have any questions regarding your water transportation service, or wish to dispute your bill, please contact us on 0467 771 187.



## Glossary

**Clare Valley Water Supply System Area:** means the Hundred of Upper Wakefield, Hundred of Clare or Hundred of Stanley.

**GST:** means the goods and services tax imposed by the GST Law.

**GST Law:** has the meaning attributed in the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth);

**kL:** means kilolitre being one thousand litres.

**ML:** means megalitre being one thousand kilolitres.

**SA Water, our, us, we:** means South Australian Water Corporation.

## Adoption of schedule

This schedule of charges was adopted on 17/3/2025.



## Appendix A

### Example 1:

An end user has an Agreed Volume of 20,000 kilolitres of water and uses 2,000 kilolitres during the year in the first and second quarter during the supply period.

Off Peak Agreed Volume = 20,000 kL

Minimum Transportation Volume = 20,000/3

= 6667 kL

Annual Minimum Transportation Fee = 6667 X 1.502 = **\$10,013.83**

Qtr. Minimum Transportation Fee = \$10,013.83/4 = **\$2,503.46**

Quarter		Charges
<b>Quarter 1 (1.4.25 to 1.7.25)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	1000	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.46
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.416/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>
<b>Quarter 2 (1.7.25 to 1.10.25)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	1000	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.46
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>
<b>Quarter 3 (1.10.25 to 1.1.26)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	0	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.56
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>
<b>Quarter 4 (1.1.26 to 1.4.26)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	0	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.56
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>

Total charges for four quarters are \$13,215.24 inclusive of GST equalling \$1,201.40.



**Example 2:**

An end user has an Agreed Volume of 20,000 kilolitres of water and transports 15,000 kilolitres during the year in the first and second quarter during the supply period.

Quarter		Charges
<b>Quarter 1 (1.4.25 to 1.7.25)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	5000	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.56
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>
<b>Quarter 2 (1.7.25 to 1.10.25)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	10000	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.56
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	8333	\$ 12,516.17
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 1,551.97</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 17,071.70</b>
<b>Quarter 3 (1.10.25 to 1.1.26)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	0	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.56
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>
<b>Quarter 4 (1.1.26 to 1.4.26)</b>		
Water Transportation volume	0	
Minimum Transportation Fee (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)		\$ 2,503.56
Reservation Fee (@ \$100/ML of Agreed Volume per year plus GST)		\$ 500.00
Water Transportation greater than Minimum Transportation (@ \$1.502/kL plus GST)	0	\$ -
<b>GST</b>		<b>\$ 300.35</b>
<b>TOTAL (inc. GST)</b>		<b>\$ 3,303.81</b>

Total charges for four quarters are \$26,983.13 inclusive of GST equalling \$2,453.02.

