

# Is a separate irrigation water meter cost effective for you?

An irrigation meter is a separate water meter for your home or business that is exclusively used for lawn irrigation systems. To help you decide if this is a viable and affordable option for you, we have compiled the following information below.

## Irrigation Water Meter Availability and Connection Fees is a Two Step Process:

WATER AVAILABILITY FEES*	
	Effective July 1, 2012
Per Equivalent Residential Connection	3,000
Meter Size	
5/8 inches	3,000
3/4 inches	4,000
1 inch	7,800
1 ½ inches	17,300
2 inches & over (per ERC)	3,000
WATER CONNECTION FEES*	
	Effective July 1, 2012
Line Size	
3/4 inches	2,600
1 inch	2,900
1 ½ inches	3,100
All larger sizes	Cost + 10%



**Step One:**  
Submit a plan with appropriate information such as address, property boundaries, water line size, location, etc., to Public Works. They will use this information to determine whether an irrigation meter is possible and the cost of your Water Availability fee.

**The Water Availability Fee** is the cost for your new irrigation meter and is based on the size of the proposed meter as determined by the City Engineer. A City approved licensed plumbing contractor must make the connection into the existing City water line. The Water Connection Fee is the cost for the Public Works Department to make the water connection and is based on a case by case project review.

**The Water Connection Fee** is determined by the size of the proposed water connection. Questions regarding the Water Availability or Water Connection Fees or the proposed irrigation meter can be directed to the Public Works Department at (540)372-1023.



## Obtaining a Building Permit

**Step Two:**  
Once your plan has been approved and all fees calculated by the Public Works Department, you will need to obtain a plumbing permit from the Building Services Department.

Applications and instructions can be found on our website at [Fredericksburgva.gov](http://Fredericksburgva.gov). For any questions regarding building permit fees please contact the Building Services Department at (540)372-1080.