Water Allocation Permit Fee Changes for 2020

A new fee schedule is effective January 1, 2020.

The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) adjusted the fees for water supply allocation permits, temporary dewatering permits, and water use registrations set forth in the Water Supply Allocation rules at N.J.A.C. 7:19-3.6. Notice of this fee increase was published in the October 7, 2019 New Jersey Register. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:19-3.4, the fees were adjusted for inflation based on the previous 12-month United States Department of Labor Consumer Price Index (CPI), U.S. city average, all items, all urban consumers. As provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, on July 1, 2019, the applicable CPI is 1.8 percent. Adjusted fees were rounded for accounting simplicity, down to the nearest \$5.00 increment.

Questions regarding the fee changes can be directed to the Bureau of Water Allocation at (609) 292-2957.

7:19-3.6 Fee Schedule

- (a) Fees shall be charged for water supply allocation permits and dewatering permits issued under this chapter pursuant to the following schedule:
- 1. Initial application and permit modification fees (\$):

		Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6
i.	Surface water diversions	6,090	6,860	8,850	15,250	16,665	18,080
ii.	Ground water diversions	7,620	8,555	11,055	19,070	20,770	22,180
iii.	Undiminished Return	3,630	4,865	6,090	7,320	8,445	9,580
iv.	Dewatering diversions	7,405	7,405	7,405	18,925	18,925	18,925
2.	Annual fees (\$):	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6
i.	Surface water diversions	2,935	3,440	5,890	10,160	12,985	15,815
ii.	Ground water diversions	3,945	4,565	7,365	12,710	15,540	18,365
iii.	Undiminished Return	1,285	2,105	4,060	4,880	5,705	6,515
iv.	Dewatering diversions	3,835	3,835	3,835	12,615	12,615	12,615

FEE CLASSES	Million Gallons per Month	
	From	To <
Class 1	3.1	15.5
Class 2	15.5	31
Class 3	31	62
Class 4	62	155
Class 5	155	310
Class 6	310	

FEE CLASSES BASED ON MONTHLY ALLOCATION

(b) Fees for water use registrations issued under this chapter shall be charged as follows:

1. Any person who is required to apply for a water use registration pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:19-2.18 shall, along with a completed registration form, submit an initial registration fee of \$420.

2. Each person who holds a valid water use registration shall pay an annual fee of \$205.