

Vaughn Cascade County Water & Sewer



1161 6th Ave, Vaughn, MT 59487

ph. 406-964-8880

APPLICATION & SERVICE AGREEMENT FORM/ NAME CHANGE

Return this page by mail or drop off at the Vaughn District office

Service Date: _____ Residential: _____ Commercial: _____
If Commercial, please include tax I.D.# _____

Water: _____ Sewer: _____

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Service Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Cell Number: _____

Employer Name & Number: _____

E-mail: _____

The above information is to obtain utility service. The district will verify the accuracy of the above information provided by the customer. The use of false information in this application shall be grounds for denial, suspension and/or termination of utility service. We report all past due/nonpayment accounts to a Credit Reporting Agency.

Monthly billing are due on by the 25th of the following month. Payments not made with-in 60 days of the due date will be considered delinquent and will be subject to services being disconnected until payment is made in full or arrangements are made. Late fees: \$10 or 8% whichever is greatest

As security for the payment of the fees and charges specified in this Application and Agreement, Owners hereby grant the district a lien against the lot described herein for the amount payable in respect to the lot. The lien granted herein may be foreclosed in the manner provided for the foreclosure of construction liens under the laws of the State of Montana.

Turnover and fill out the back.

Water and Sewer service fees for all rental properties are the responsibility of the Property Owner and will be billed to them.

Signature

Date

Monthly Rate Structure: Put an X next to Utility requested.

	Residential	Water: \$47.50	Sewer: \$76.94	Total: \$124.44	
	Commercial	Water: \$82.20	Sewer: \$105.18	Total: \$187.38	
	Unoccupied	Water: \$18.73	Sewer: \$48.77	Total: \$85.63	

These rates are a monthly flat rate and are subject to change.

Board Meetings are the third Tuesday of the month and the agenda is posted at the following:

US Post Office

Conoco Station

Pump House (main office)

Website: vaughnwaterandsewer.com

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Welcome to Vaughn. The water & sewer district has board meetings regarding issues of the district the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00. We meet at the American Legion Hall between the fire dept. and the US Post Office. The agenda is posted at Glacier Gateway, the US Post Office and our web site 48 hours in advance.

Hope to see you there.

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

I am in the office Monday – Thursday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Your utilities are billed in arrears. Example: the statement you receive is for previous months usage.

Face Book page: Vaughn cascade county water sewer district. We hardly post on Facebook.

Web site: vaughnwaterandsewer.com

All financials, meeting minutes & agenda are posted on our web site.

Credit Cards: If you would like to pay by credit card fill out the form and drop it off with the New Service Agreement. There will be a 5% convenience charge per transaction.

Annette Kniffen

Secretary/Treasure

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Sign-up Form

- Request to receive your utility bills via E-Mail
- Please fill out the form below and either mail it to above address or drop off at the district office.
- Please note that signing up for electronic billing authorizes the Vaughn Water & Sewer District to send emails to your account including the utility bill and inserts normally included in the envelope with a paper bill.
- Note: The requested information such as Account Number, Account Name and Address may be found on your current bill.

Print Name: First			Last		
Service Address:					
Utility Account#:					
Home #		Work #		Cell #	
Email Address:					
I hereby authorize the Vaughn Water & Sewer District to forward my monthly utility bills through electronic mail notification. I understand that I am responsible for notifying the district of changes or cancellation.					
Signature:			Date:		

IMPORTANT: Please note, by registering to receive email notification you will no longer receive a paper Utility Bill.

Water Restriction Rules and Penalties

Why does the district have water restrictions?

- Water is not free and cost money to make. If you prefer your bill to remain low, do your part and conserve your water use.
- *But we don't have a meter and we pay a flat rate so we can use all the water we want?* No not true, you should always be considerate of water usage. Flat rates just means that we all pay an average of the of all the water used. If we all don't conserve, rates will increase.

Restrictions

- Water restrictions are in place between June 1st through September 30th.
- Property Owners on the North side of HWY 89 can irrigate on odd number days.
- Property Owners on the South side of HWY 89 can irrigate on even number days.
- Irrigation is permitted between 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. OR between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. on the allowed days unless you have an in-ground automatic irrigation system, See rules below.
- No Irrigation is permitted between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on the allowed day.

Rules

- **Hand Watering**

Hand-watering and low-volume irrigation of plant material other than lawns or turfgrass may be done on any day and at any time.

- **Permanent, In-ground, or Automatic irrigation systems**

Permanent, in-ground, or automatic irrigation systems can water everyday as long as each zone is set to no more than 30 minutes. Irrigation is permitted between 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. It is not permitted between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

- **New Sod and Landscaping**

All watering of new sod and landscaping must be done during allowed hours. An irrigation system zone can only be operated if the new sod or plant material covers at least 50 percent of that zone.

- The establishment period starts on the date of installation and is limited to 30 calendar days.
- Day 1: Newly installed lawns and landscape materials may be irrigated immediately following installation regardless of the time of day.
- Day 2 – Day 30: New plant materials may be watered any day before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m.

Decorative Fountains, Car Washing, Pressure Washing, Recreation

- The use of any fountain or water feature is allowed provided it is properly maintained and also recycles water, exclusively uses reclaimed water, or provides a necessary water quality benefit
- Car washing is allowed using hoses equipped with self-canceling or automatic shutoff nozzles, sponges, and buckets
- Pressure washing of sidewalks, driveways, patios, and other impervious surfaces is allowed for public health and safety. Pressure washing should not be used to clean away materials that can be removed with a broom or other dry methods
- Water slip and slides, sprinklers and other means for recreation purposes are encouraged and can be done at any time as long as people are present and the water is shut off when not occupied.

Wasteful and Unnecessary Use

The following wasteful and unnecessary water use activities are also prohibited, at all times, and for all property owners:

- Over irrigating and causing ponding or adjacent property saturation. Irrigation should be applied at no more than a one hour per zone.
- Allowing water to flow from an unattended hose, unless that water is discharged from a functional water-to-air air conditioning unit, residential reverse osmosis treatment system, or similar device
- Hosing-down a driveway or other impervious surface to remove grass clippings or other debris that can be removed with a broom or other dry methods
- Hosing-down a building or other structure to remove cobwebs or other material that can be removed with a broom or other dry methods
- Allowing water to flow from a broken sprinkler head, outdoor faucet, or other malfunctioning plumbing or irrigation system component, after receiving verbal or written notice of the malfunction from the Vaughn Water and Sewer District.
- Allowing water to be dispersed without any practical purpose to the water user
- Allowing water to be dispersed in a grossly inefficient manner.
- Allowing water to be dispersed to accomplish a purpose for which water use is unnecessary or which can be readily accomplished through alternative methods without water use.

Penalties

- Notice of violations (citations) are issued to the property owner(s) of record and assessed penalties as indicated below:
- **1st Violation** – Verbal and or Written Notice
- **2nd Violation** – Verbal and or written Notice with \$50 Penalty
- **3rd Violation** - Verbal and or written Notice with \$100 Penalty
- **4th Violation** - Verbal and or written Notice with \$150 Penalty
- **All Additional Violations** - \$200 Penalty
- **Termination:** Vaughn Cascade County Water & Sewer District may terminate service for up to 7 consecutive days for continuing violations after penalties are assessed. Service will remain off until any delinquent penalty or other assessment is paid in full including a charge for reconnection. The decision to terminate water service is not taken lightly and will occur when other enforcement measures have not been effective. The district will consider all of the following as part of its decision regarding appropriate remedies to employ:
 - Prior enforcement remedies applied.
 - Public health and safety.
 - Amount of water being used in violation.
 - Impact of the violation.
- If a user (property owner) has not violated this ordinance for two consecutive years from the date of the last violation, the next violation will be considered that user's first offense.

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CodeRED:

CodeRed is an emergency response system to keep you informed regarding water and sewer issues for the District. Such as broken water or sewer lines, boil water notices, well issues and flushing of hydrants, etc.

Rules & Regulation require all customers to sign up for Code Red for alerts and emergency pertaining to the water and sewer system.

You can sign up online at www.vaughnwaterandsewer.com or by completing this form and returning to the Vaughn Water & Sewer office.

Contact Information:

***NAME:** First and Last or Business Name

Property Address:

Account #

Please check all that apply and put your number and/or email address.

_____ _____ _____

Text Message Number Voice Alert Number E-mail Notification

Terms and Conditions

By providing your phone number and your consent, you have agreed to receive automated text messages, emails, and/or phone calls from Vaughn Cascade County Water and Sewer District (VWS) for alerts relating to water and sewer. VWS texts, emails, and calls may be made via an Automatic Telephone Dialing System (ATDS) and/or an artificial or a prerecorded voice.

VWS does not charge for the Service, but your carrier's standard messaging charges may apply. You agree that you are responsible for paying your carrier's charges to use the Service.

Vaughn Water & Sewer values your privacy. The information we collect is kept confidential and we take reasonable and appropriate steps to protect the information that you share with us from unauthorized access or disclosure.

I have read and understand the terms and conditions

Signature

Date