

Commonly Asked Questions...

How does the Irrigation Meter benefit water customers?

This additional meter will quantify the amount of water going to irrigation and deduct that amount from the sewer costs.

Am I required to have this meter installed?

No, this additional meter is an option for all residents.

The meter seems expensive, will it save me money in the long run?

The amount of money saved will vary from household to household depending on the amount of water used to irrigate. This should vary based upon the weather. It is always beneficial to the resident and to our environment to limit the amount of water used (both household and irrigation). It is up to each resident to conduct a cost benefit analysis for their situation and the initial installation cost may not be completely recouped for several years. Please visit the City of Rochester website for additional information.

How long will the meter installation take?

After the plumbing and inspection is complete, a normal meter installation is less than one hour. A person 18 years of age or older must be present for the installation.

Where will the water meter and remote reading device be installed?

The meter will be installed in the same general location as the current house meter (usually in the basement or a utility closet).

Rochester Department of Public Works

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IRRIGATION METER PROGRAM



CITY OF ROCHESTER

400 Sixth Street
Rochester, MI 48307

248-733-3700



Need a second meter...

The City of Rochester offers an Irrigation Meter to its residents on metered municipal water. This meter, when purchased by the residents, will allow them to receive a sewer credit for each unit that is used for outside watering purposes.

The plumbing permit for the irrigation meter may be purchased through City Hall, located at 400 Sixth Street, Rochester 48307 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Before a meter can be purchased, a plumbing permit must be obtained from the City Building Department.

Payment for the Irrigation Meter will be accepted when the plumbing permit application is completed. Payment shall include price of the meter, city meter installation and a plumbing inspection fee.

There will be additional plumbing costs associated with the installation of the pipe infrastructure, valves and the city provided template depending on the plumber hired by the resident. The resident or their representative can obtain a meter template from the DPW after the permit is issued.

Your savings will not begin until the paperwork and water meter is installed.

After Initial Plumbing Is Completed... Schedule your Inspection

An inspection of the plumbing and template for the Irrigation Meter will be required before a meter can be installed.

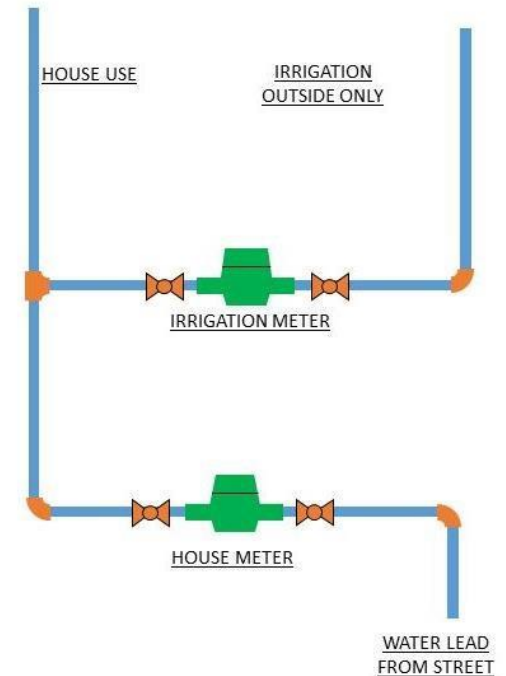
Inspection appointments may be scheduled by calling the Rochester Building Department at (248) 733-3700 Ext.242. A re-inspection fee of \$65 will be charged if not present. Inspections are performed on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Please be advised that an adult, 18 years of age or older, must be present for inspection and installation

After your inspection is approved... Schedule Your Meter Installation

The meter will be installed following an approved plumbing inspection. However, if the plumbing is found to be unsatisfactory, the corrections will have to be made and another appointment scheduled at a later date.

With an approved inspection, **Meter Installations** may be scheduled by calling Rochester DPW at (248) 651-5165.



Second (Irrigation) Meter Plumbing Diagram

Provide this diagram to your plumber and have them call the Rochester DPW with any questions and to acquire a meter template to install.

