

How Are Rates Determined?

As a regulated utility, Liberty's rates must be approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Rates reflect the cost to provide customer care, emergency and outage services, maintenance and improvement of infra-structure, and recovery of operating costs to serve customers safely and reliably. Costs are a direct pass-through to the customer with a CPUC-approved return on investment. A significant portion of your bill is for purchased energy costs.

Liberty may adjust rates to reflect costs through a rate request. The CPUC requires submission of a rate request every three years; other rate adjustments may occur through advice letters and applications. The CPUC reviews the detailed requests and may make modifications before a decision is rendered.

Once rates are approved, they become part of a larger Tariff document. Tariffs are a detailed accounting of the services we deliver, our rates for those services, and the policies we adhere to. You can view those Tariffs on our Rates webpage at www.libertyenergyandwater.com.

What is my Rate Class?

Rates are categorized by rate class, with each rate class assigned specific charges. In general, there are four rate classes:

Residential (Domestic) Service (D1)

Small Commercial Service (A1)

Less than 50 kW demand per month.

Medium Commercial Service (A2)

Between 50 kW and 200 kW demand per month.

Large Commercial Service (A3)

Greater than 200 kW demand per month.

There are additional rate classes within each of these four general categories such as Time-Of-Use rates and CARE (California Alternate Rates for Energy). Please see the individual rate schedules (or Tariffs) for this information as well as each rate class' qualifications.

How do I know what rate class I'm in?

Customers can look on their bill statement for their rate code. This code corresponds to a rate class. Below are the rate classes with corresponding rate codes.

Residential Rate Class Codes (D1):

Small Commercial Rate Class Codes (A1):

Medium Commercial Rate Class Codes (A2):

Large Commercial Rate Class Codes (A3):

How am I charged?

Your rate class and code determines how you are charged as defined by CPUC-authorized Tariffs. Below are the various charge categories customers may see on their bill.

Customer Charge: per meter; per month.

Energy Charge (use): Per kWh.

Other Energy Charges: These are single-line items on your bill; many of them are CPUC requirements.

Demand Charge: Per kW of Maximum Demand per month; different for winter and summer; this is the energy demand on the system, not the actual usage. This is for Medium Commercial (A2) and Large Commercial (A3) customers only.

Facilities Charge: Per kW of Maximum Demand per month. This is for (A3) customers only.

Additional Charges: There are additional line-item charges on your bill as authorized and required by the CPUC. Please visit our website for details.

How is my bill calculated?

Your bill is calculated based on the applicable rate class using the CPUC-approved Tariff charges. Bills are based on the meter read for a 27 to 33 day period.

Summary Rate Schedules

The following pages provide a summary of Liberty's Rate Tariffs as approved by the California Public Utilities Commission as of the date on this document. All costs given are for all kWh, per kWh (usage) and applied to both Base and Excess of Base usage unless otherwise noted. Rates are presented for the four major customer classes in summary format for easier customer review. Customers are encouraged to visit the individual Rate Tariff Sheet, Understanding Your Bill, and Electric Rates and Tariffs webpages on www.libertyenergyandwater.com or call **1-800-782-2506** for further explanation.



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⚡ Residential (Domestic) Service (D1)

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Residential (Domestic) Customers (D1) Types

Permanent: Permanent place of residence. Bills are calculated using two different rates: discounted rate (known as baseline allowance) and a rate for electricity used in excess of the baseline allowance. The baseline amount is different for winter and summer.

Non-Permanent: Not permanent place of residence; a second home or vacation rental. The baseline (discounted) rate does not apply to secondary residences.

CARE: California Alternate Rates for Energy; a discounted rate for income-qualified primary customers.

Residential (Domestic) Service (D1)

	Permanent	Non-Permanent	CARE
Customer Charge	\$ 13.83	\$ 13.83	\$ 11.07
Per meter, per month			
Total kWh (Usage) Charge			
Base*	\$ 0.295273	\$0.320136	\$ 0.249709
Excess	\$ 0.336089	N/A	\$ 0.278406

*Base (or Baseline) kWh/day. **Note:** There are additional charges on your bill as authorized and required by the CPUC. See Tariff sheets for details.

Residential (D1) Baseline (kWh/Day)

	Summer May 1 – Oct. 31	Winter Nov. 1 – April 30
Basic Use – Primary or CARE	14.459	18.9959
All Electric Use – Primary or CARE	16.3934	31.4074
Basic Use		
Base Or Electric Hot Water Heater	14.459	18.9959
Medical	30.9590	35.4959
Additional Medical	47.4590	51.9959
All-Electric Use		
All Electric Or Electric Heat	16.3934	31.4074
Medical	32.8934	47.9074
Additional Medical	49.3934	64.4074

Total Residential kWh (usage) Charge Breakdown:

	Permanent	Non-Permanent	CARE
Surcharges (per kWh)			
CPUC	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010
CEC	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003
Distribution Energy Charge (per kWh)			
Base	\$ 0.1316	\$ 0.1493	\$ 0.0892
Excess	\$ 0.1554	N/A	\$ 0.1014
Public Purpose Programs (PPP) (per kWh)			
CARE	\$ 0.00187	\$ 0.00187	N/A
ESA	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
WNDRRBA	\$ 0.0009	\$ 0.0009	\$ 0.0009
Energy Efficiency	\$ 0.0004	\$ 0.0004	\$ 0.0004
Energy Cost (ECAC) (per kWh)			
Base	\$ 0.0346	\$ 0.0525	\$ 0.0346
Excess	\$ 0.0525	N/A	\$ 0.0525
Generation Energy Charge (per kWh)			
Base	\$ 0.0186	\$ 0.025	\$ 0.0186
Excess	\$ 0.0343	N/A	\$ 0.0343
ECAC Amorization (per kWh)	\$ 0.0095	\$ 0.0095	\$ 0.0095
Carbon Pollution Permit Cost (per kWh)	\$ 0.00555	\$ 0.00555	\$ 0.00555
Note: Residential Customers receive a Climate Credit in April and October to offset this charge.			
Solar Initiative Program (SIP) (per kWh)	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072
Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account (BRRBA) (per kWh)	\$ 0.0041	\$ 0.0041	\$ 0.0041
GRCMA	\$ 0.0407	\$ 0.0407	\$ 0.0407
Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA) (per kWh)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Wildfire and Natural Disaster Resilience Rebuild Program Balancing Account	\$ 0.00089	\$ 0.00089	\$ 0.00089

Residential (D1) Sample Bill Calculation

Customer Charge	Permanent: \$13.83	Non-Permanent: \$13.83	CARE: \$11.07
Per Meter, per month			
Base Usage	435 kWh @ 0.295273 = \$128.44	570 kWh @ 0.320136 = \$182.47	435 kWh @ 0.249709 = \$108.62
Excess Usage	135 kWh @ 0.336089 = \$45.37	N/A	135 kWh @ 0.278406 = \$37.58
Total Current Charges:	\$187.64	\$196.30	\$157.27

⚡ Small Commercial Service (A1)

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	A1
Customer Charge Per meter, per month	\$ 26.74
Total kWh (Usage) Charge	\$ 0.36597
Total Small Commercial kWh (Usage) Charge Breakdown:	
Surcharges (per kWh)	
CPUC	\$ 0.0010
CEC	\$ 0.0003
Distribution Energy Charge (per kWh)	\$ 0.16318
Public Purpose Programs (PPP) (per kWh)	
CARE	\$ 0.001867
ESA	\$ 0
Energy Efficiency	\$ 0.000427
Energy Cost (ECAC) (per kWh)	\$ 0.05944
Generation Energy Charge (per kWh)	\$ 0.02281
ECAC Amoritization (per kWh)	\$ 0.01573
Carbon Pollution Permit Cost (per kWh)	\$ 0.01517
Note: Small Commercial Customers receive a Climate Credit in April and October to offset this charge.	
Climate Credit (per kWh)	\$ 0
Solar Initiative Program (SIP) (per kWh)	\$ 0.00072
Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account (BRRBA) (per kWh)	\$ 0.042688
GRCMA	\$ 0.042636
Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA) (per kWh)	\$ 0

Small Commercial (A1) Sample Bill Calculation

Customer Charge Per meter, per month	\$ 26.74
Total Usage Charge 7600 kWh @ 0.36597 =	\$ 2,781.37
Total Current Charges:	\$ 2,808.11

Note: There are additional charges on your bill as authorized and required by the CPUC. See Tariff sheets for details.

⚡ Medium Commercial Service (A2)

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A2	Winter Oct. 1 – May 31	Summer June 1 – Sept. 31
Customer Charge Per meter, per month	\$ 100.92	\$ 100.92
Demand Charge Distribution (per kW)	\$ 15.4118	\$ 10.72365
Total kWh (Usage) Charge	\$ 0.366548	\$ 0.273289
Total Medium Commercial kWh (Usage) Charge Breakdown:		
Surcharges (per kWh)		
CPUC	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010
CEC	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003
Distribution Charges (per kWh)		
Demand	\$ 10.72365	\$ 10.72365
Energy	\$ 0.17341	\$ 0.08089
Public Purpose Programs (PPP) (per kWh)		
CARE	\$ 0.001867	\$ 0.001867
ESA	\$ 0	\$ 0
Energy Efficiency	\$ 0.000427	\$ 0.000427
Energy Cost (ECAC) (per kWh)	\$ 0.05944	\$ 0.05944
Generation Energy Charge (per kWh)		
Demand	\$ 4.6881	N/A
Energy	\$ 0.1315	\$ 0.01241
ECAC Amoritization (per kWh)	\$ 0.01573	\$ 0.01573
Carbon Pollution Permit Cost (per kWh)	\$ 0.01517	\$ 0.01517
Solar Initiative Program (SIP) (per kWh)	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072
Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account (BRRBA) (per kWh)	\$ 0.042688	\$ 0.042688
GRCMA	\$ 0.042636	\$ 0.042636
Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA) (per kWh)	\$ 0	\$ 0

Medium Commercial (A2) Sample Bill Calculation

Customer Charge Per meter, per month	\$ 100.92
Demand Charge 26 kW @ 10.72365 =	\$ 278.81
Total Usage Charge 9080 kWh @ 0.273289 =	\$ 2,481.46
Total Current Charges:	\$ 2,861.20

Note: There are additional charges on your bill as authorized and required by the CPUC. See Tariff sheets for details.

⚡ Large Commercial Service (A3)

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TIME OF USE PERIOD	Winter - ON Oct. 1 – May 31 5:01pm – 10:00pm	Winter - MID Oct. 1 – May 31 7:01am – 5:00pm	Winter - OFF Oct. 1 – May 31 All Other	Summer - ON June 1 – Sept. 30 10:01am – 10:00pm	Summer - OFF June 1 – Sept. 30 All Other
Customer Charge Per meter, per month	\$ 822.98	\$ 822.98	\$ 822.98	\$ 822.98	\$ 822.98
Facility Charge (per kW of maximum demand)					
Non-WMP	\$ 9.95972	\$ 9.95972	\$ 9.95972	\$ 9.95972	\$ 9.95972
WMP	\$ 2.0814	\$ 2.0814	\$ 2.0814	\$ 2.0814	\$ 2.0814
Demand Charge (per kW)					
Distribution Non-WMP	\$ 12.26997	\$ 3.62794	N/A	\$ 5.13388	N/A
Distribution WMP	\$ 1.50202	\$ 1.10351	N/A	N/A	N/A
Generation	\$ 2.9554	\$ 2.0338	N/A	\$ 18.9402	N/A
Total kWh (Usage) Charge	\$ 0.235277	\$ 0.227217	\$ 0.204902	\$ 0.253212	\$ 0.219551
Total Large Commercial kWh (Usage) Charge Breakdown:					
Surcharges (per kWh)					
CPUC	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010	\$ 0.0010
CEC	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003	\$ 0.0003
Distribution Energy Charge (per kWh)	\$ 0.05529	\$ 0.04723	\$ 0.02492	\$ 0.07323	\$ 0.03957
Public Purpose Programs (PPP) (per kWh)					
CARE	\$ 0.001867	\$ 0.001867	\$ 0.001867	\$ 0.001867	\$ 0.001867
ESA	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Energy Efficiency	\$ 0.000427	\$ 0.000427	\$ 0.000427	\$ 0.000427	\$ 0.000427
Energy Cost (ECAC) (per kWh)	\$ 0.05944	\$ 0.05944	\$ 0.05944	\$ 0.05944	\$ 0.05944
Generation Demand Charge (per kWh)	\$ 2.9554	\$ 2.0338	N/A	\$ 18.9402	N/A
ECAC Amortization (per kWh)	\$ 0.01573	\$ 0.01573	\$ 0.01573	\$ 0.01573	\$ 0.01573
Carbon Pollution Permit Cost (per kWh)	\$ 0.01517	\$ 0.01517	\$ 0.01517	\$ 0.01517	\$ 0.01517
Solar Initiative Program (SIP) (per kWh)	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072	\$ 0.00072
Base Revenue Requirement Balancing Account (BRRBA) (per kWh)	\$ 0.042688	\$ 0.042688	\$ 0.042688	\$ 0.042688	\$ 0.042688
GRCMA	\$ 0.042636	\$ 0.042636	\$ 0.042636	\$ 0.042636	\$ 0.042636
Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA) (per kWh)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

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