



Abbeville Public Utilities
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Electric Service Rates and Policies

Rates Effective as of November 1, 2023

Residential Rates

Standard Residential

Basic Facility Charge	\$14.45
First 1,000 kWh	\$0.1229+PPCA
Over 1,000 kWh	\$0.1153+PPCA

Total Electric Residential

(residential customers that use electricity for all of their water heating, cooking, and HVAC needs)

Basic Facility Charge	\$14.45
First 1,000 kWh	\$0.1220+PPCA
Over 1,000 kWh	\$0.1002+PPCA

Commercial Rates

Small Commercial

Basic Facility Charge	\$16.31
First 500 kWh	\$0.1464+PPCA
501-1,200 kWh	\$0.1685+PPCA
1,201-3,000 kWh	\$0.1359+PPCA
3,001-7,000 kWh	\$0.1242+PPCA
Over 7,000 kWh	\$0.1028+PPCA

PPCA

A Purchased Power Cost Adjustment (PPCA) is used to adjust rates monthly due to fluctuations in the cost of wholesale power.

Security Lights

	Without A Pole	With A Pole
100 Watt	\$8.11	\$9.20
400 Watt	\$27.40	\$29.25

Other Charges

Surge Protector	\$50.00
Temporary Service Fee (Non-refundable)	\$50.00
Single Phase OH Secondary or Primary – first 300 feet to livable space	\$0.00
Single Phase OH Secondary or Primary – all over 300 ft	\$8.00 per foot
Single Phase UG Secondary	\$9.00 per foot
Single Phase UG Primary	\$13.00 per foot
Three Phase Service	Cost estimate prepared and accepted
Customer requested change in service	Cost estimate prepared and accepted
Service to campers, well pumps, storage buildings, garages, etc	Cost estimate prepared and accepted

GENERAL POLICIES FOR ALL SERVICES

Application for Service: Applications for service must be made at the office of Abbeville Public Utilities. All connection fees and deposits must be paid before connecting to any city utility service.

Payment Due: Utility bills are due and payable on or before the twenty-fifth of each month following the date the bill was rendered.

Delinquent Bills: Any bill past due is subject to be disconnected. Any service disconnected for non-payment will not be restored nor new services provided until all past due bills have been paid and all other indebtedness to the city has been paid or arrangements made for the debts being in delinquent or past due status. For bills paid on the 26th of the month or later a five (5) percent penalty and a \$20.00 service charge will be added to the bill amount.

Discontinuance of Service: The utility shall have the right to terminate service for any of the following reasons:

1. Nonpayment of any bill when due.
2. Misrepresentation of the identity of a customer or changing the customer's name to avoid paying a past due bill.
3. Tampering with meters, wires, lines, pipes, or other property of the utility.
4. Refusal to permit utility employees access to the customer's premises for any purpose connected with the utility service.
5. Unsafe or dangerous conditions in the customer's wiring or electrical fixtures.

Tampering: It is unlawful for any unauthorized person to tamper with any city utility meter or other utility property. Connections can only be made by authorized utility personnel. Tampering with city property will result in a \$200 tampering fee and the offender may be subject to prosecution in the appropriate jurisdiction. Any meter disconnected for non-payment that is reconnected by unauthorized persons will be disconnected, may be removed, and a tampering fee plus all unpaid bills and reconnect fees must be paid before restoring service.

Same Day Fee: A \$30 same day fee must be paid for reconnections due to non-payment of a utility bill or for connections for new service requested after 3:00 PM.

Deposits: When a customer applies for service, the city shall do a credit check to determine the deposit required for the account.

ELECTRIC SERVICES

Grounding of Electric Service Entrances: The utility requires each new electric service entrance to have a ground rod installed at the meter box.

Right of Way and Access to Customer's Premises: The utility shall at all reasonable times have the right to ingress to and egress from the premises of the customer for the purposes connected with the delivery of service. When application for service is made, the utility is given the right to build, maintain, and to keep wires free of trees, limbs, and other hazards that would disrupt the service. "Right of Way" is defined as a distance of 12.5 feet on either side of the power pole.

Wiring: All wiring to be connected to utility property must be done by a qualified electrician licensed to do business in Abbeville and done in accordance with the latest edition of the "National Electrical Code."

Temporary Service: For use during construction temporary service will be provided up to 12 months for a \$50.00 connection fee. The customer must provide a suitable structure of sufficient height to provide code clearance for the service cable. The meter will be provided and installed by the utility.

Damaged to Customer's Property: The utility is not responsible for any personal injury or damage to the buildings, motors, fixtures, or other property of the customer due to lightning, wiring defects, equipment failures or other causes not due to the negligence of the Utility. The customer must provide any devices necessary to protect his property. The utility will exercise reasonable diligence to furnish electrical service to the customer but does not guarantee freedom from interruption of service. The utility reserves the right to temporarily interrupt service to make repairs or improvements to the system.

RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC POLICIES

Availability: Available only to residential customers in residences, mobile homes, or individually metered apartments. Each entity must be individually metered.

Type of Service: The utility will furnish 60 cycle service through one meter at one delivery point at Single Phase power at 120/240 volts.

Discount- A 4 percent discount on residential electric will be allowed if paid on or before the 10th of the month following the date the bill was rendered.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE CONNECTIONS TO MOBILE HOMES

All mobile homes receiving electric service from Abbeville Public Utilities must be connected in accordance with the following specifications:

FOR UNDERGROUND SERVICE

Singlewide and Doublewide Mobile Homes

- 1-The homeowner will provide conduit and service entrance wire to connect the meter box to the main electric service panel to the home.
- 2-A licensed electrician must complete installation of the meter box, ground rod and connections.

FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC SERVICE

- 1-The homeowner will provide a disconnect switch, to be mounted below the meter box on the service pole and conduit and service entrance wire to connect the meter to the disconnect switch to the main electric service panel in the home.
- 2-A licensed electrician must complete installation of the following: ground rod, 200 amps meter box with disconnect, weather head, pipe and attachment point.

COMMERCIAL ELECTRIC POLICIES

Availability: Available only to commercial or small industrial customers served through one meter located entirely on single, contiguous premises. All temporary services will be billed on this rate.

Type of Service: the utility will furnish 60 cycle service through one meter at one delivery point at one of the following voltages:

Single Phase 120/240 volts, Three Phase 120/208 "Y" volts, Other combinations at company option.