

**Proposals to increase the reservoirs (Scotland)  
charging fees scheme 2024  
November 2023**



**Scottish  
Water**  
Trusted to serve Scotland

Overview

General Comments

Detailed Response

Specific Comments

1	Name
2	e-mail
3	What is your interest in our charging scheme?
<p>Scottish Water's annual subsistence fee invoice includes charges for 252 reservoirs. The fee in 2023/24 was £126,726.99.</p>	
4	Do you agree with the proposals which are outlined in this consultation? Yes, No or Unsure. <i>Please provide your views on the proposed changes in the box below</i>
<p>Unsure</p> <p>The consultation proposes to change reservoir subsistence fees as follows:</p> <p>High risk: increase by 27% Medium risk: increase by 26% Low risk: increase by 26%</p> <p>The reason for such substantial increases is not clear from the consultation document. Greater transparency is required on what has driven the increases.</p> <p>The consultation explains that the time taken to regulate the different risk categories has been considered. This suggests that each category requires different work inputs from SEPA. However, it is not clear how this is reflected in the revised fees as a similar percentage increase has been applied to all risk categories.</p> <p>It is also not clear to what extent efficiency measures have been included within the review of the charges.</p>	

**Proposals to increase the reservoirs (Scotland)  
charging fees scheme 2024  
November 2023**



**Scottish  
Water**  
Trusted to serve Scotland

<b>5</b>	<b>Do you have any other comments to make about this consultation?</b> <i>Please provide details in the box below</i>
No	