



NEW DRAKENSTEIN MUNICIPALITY WATER TARIFFS 2026/2027

Drakenstein Municipality has announced the new water tariff rates effective from 1 July 2026, as follows:

WATER USAGE	NEW RATE (ZAR)	OLD RATE (ZAR)	PERCENTAGE INCREASE
0 to ≤6kl*	7.65	7.32	4.5%
>6 to ≤10kl	13.59	13.00	4.5%
>10 to ≤15 kl	19.49	18.65	4.5%
>15 to ≤30 kl	25.32	24.23	4.5%
>30 to ≤45 kl	35.35	33.83	4.5%
>45 to ≤55 kl	74.71	71.49	4.5%
Above 55 kl	112.08	107.25	4.5%

To view the complete 2026/2027 tariff book, please click here:

[Tariff Book 2026/2027](#)

The HOA's adjusted or "normalized" scale for different meter reading periods, including the new Drakenstein rates, is shown in the table below:

Drakenstein Tariffs	Fixed Scale	Adjusted or "normalized" scale (KI) 2026-27												
		25 days	26 days	27 days	28 days	29 days	30 days	31 days	32 days	33 days	34 days	35 days	36 days	
0 - 6 kl @ R7.65	6,00	4.92	5.11	5.31	5.51	5.70	6,00	6,00	6.30	6.49	6.69	6.89	7.08	
6 - 10 kl @ R13.59	4,00	3.28	3.41	3.54	3.67	3.80	4,00	4,00	4.20	4.33	4.46	4.59	4.72	
10 - 15 kl @ R19.49	5,00	4.10	4.26	4.43	4.59	4.75	5,00	5,00	5.25	5.41	5.57	5.74	5.90	
15 - 30 kl @ R25.32	15,00	12.30	12.79	13.28	13.77	14.26	15,00	15,00	15.74	16.23	16.72	17.21	17.70	
30 - 45 kl @ R35.35	15,00	12.30	12.79	13.28	13.77	14.26	15,00	15,00	15.74	16.23	16.72	17.21	17.70	
45 - 55 kl @ R74.71	10,00	8.20	8.52	8.85	9.18	9.51	10,00	10,00	10.49	10.82	11.15	11.48	11.80	
> 55 kl @ R112.08	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	infinite	

GOOGLE MAPS UPDATE - THE ACRES STREET NAMES

Following our recent article regarding Google Maps, in which homeowners were invited to contact the HOA if they experienced difficulty geo-locating their homes, we are pleased to report that most of the requested updates have already been approved by Google Maps and are now reflected on the platform.

We are aware that other navigation platforms, such as Waze and Apple Maps, may still display incorrect or inconsistent information, as they source and update their mapping data differently.

The HOA is also continuing its efforts to have the official Acres' street names, as approved by the Drakenstein Municipality, correctly reflected on Google Maps. To view a copy of The Acres map with the approved street names, please click [here](#).

CYBER FRAUD & PHISHING AWARENESS SESSION

Technology continues to make our lives easier, but it also gives criminals new tools to deceive even the most cautious among us. Across South Africa, cyber fraud, phishing, and AI-driven scams are rising sharply, targeting individuals, families, and businesses alike.

Criminals are now using generative AI to create highly convincing fake emails, voice recordings, and even videos, often impersonating trusted figures such as bank officials, company directors, or even family members.

Recent trends are particularly concerning:

- Banking fraud incidents in South Africa have increased significantly, with digital banking fraud losses exceeding R1 billion annually.
- Card fraud and ATM-related crimes continue to rise, with criminals increasingly using card cloning, shoulder surfing, and ATM tampering.
- Phishing attacks have become more sophisticated, with many victims unaware they have been targeted until funds have already been compromised.

Many residents in our broader area have already been affected, and both Pearl Valley and Val de Vie and are currently identified as targeted locations.

To help equip our community with practical knowledge and awareness, residents of the estates are invited to attend an informative session on bank card, ATM, and internet fraud. This session will provide valuable insights into how these scams operate and, importantly, how to protect yourself and your family. It will be presented by representatives from the South African Banking

Risk Information Centre (SABRIC) and the South African Police Service (SAPS).

Dates: Wednesday, 15 July 2026

Time: 14:00 - 15:00

Venue: Evergreen Lifestyle Centre

Attendance: Please confirm your attendance by email to roncia.adams@vdrvhoa.co.za.

There is no cost to attend this session; it is open to residents of Pearl Valley, Val de Vie Estate and Evergreen. This is an opportunity to stay informed, remain vigilant, and strengthen our collective awareness in an increasingly complex digital environment.

REMINDER: EMPLOYING FOREIGN DOMESTIC WORKERS

Recent media coverage has highlighted new penalties for South African employers who hire undocumented foreign nationals. The HOA would like to remind residents of their legal responsibilities in this regard.

Under the Employment Services Amendment Act, employers who hire foreign nationals without valid legal work status, including private households employing domestic workers, may face substantial penalties.

To register a foreign domestic worker for Estate access, homeowners are required to submit a copy of the worker's valid passport. Please note that the Estate's Security department verifies only the validity of the passport for access purposes and does not assess or verify work permits or visas.

The HOA does not have the legal authority to verify the validity of work permits or visas. In terms of the Employment Services Act (No. 4 of 2024), it remains the sole responsibility of the employer to ensure that any foreign national they employ has the necessary legal authorisation to work in South Africa.

Residents can verify the work permit or work eligibility of their foreign employees as follows:

- Email the Verifications Department: VisaVerifications.Missions@dha.gov.za
- Call the Verifications Department: +27 (0)12 406 4432
- Visit the local Department of Home Affairs office to find out from an immigration officer

Regularising your employee's work status as above will protect both you and your employee from sanctions.

REMINDER: REGISTER TO VOTE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS



For the 2026 Local Government Elections, registration and voting stations will again be available for Pearl Valley and Val de Vie Estate residents, in partnership with the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC).

Registration location:

Stable Lounge, next to the Polo Pavilion, Val de Vie Estate.

Registration dates and times:

Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 August 08:00–17:00

Please bring a valid South African ID or passport for registration.

Local Government Elections will take place on Monday 2 to Wednesday 4 November in the Polo Pavilion Ballroom, Val de Vie Estate.

[How to register to vote](#)

PEARL VALLEY GOLF SHOP



Stay Warm on the Course with the New Galvin Green Beanies

Cold mornings are here, and the Pearl Valley Golf Shop has the perfect winter essential. The new Galvin Green beanies have arrived, featuring a soft thermal lining for exceptional warmth and comfort on and off the course. Designed to keep you warm without compromising on style, they're the ideal companion for every winter round.

Visit the Pearl Valley Golf Shop to get yours while stocks last. 🧤 ❄️

PEARL VALLEY BISTRO



A vibrant poster for a Mexican Fiesta event at Pearl Bistro. The central image shows a plate of Mexican food including a burrito, tacos, and salsa. The text on the poster reads: "MEXICAN FIESTA At Pearl Bistro", "THURSDAY JULY 2ND FROM 6PM", "R215.00 PER PERSON", "JOIN THE FIESTA!", "WHATSAPP: 040 040 0328 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENTS", and "GOOD FOOD GOOD VIBES ¡BUENOS AMIGOS!". The poster is surrounded by hand-drawn sketches of Mexican food items like burritos, tacos, and a sombrero, along with the word "¡Hola!".

PEARL VALLEY RESTAURANT



A poster for a rugby match between South Africa and England. The background shows a stadium filled with spectators. The South African flag is on the left, and the English flag is on the right. The text reads: "Rugby", "4th July | Kick-off: 17:40", "SA SOUTH AFRICA", "VS", and "ENGLAND". At the bottom, it says "Snack Baskets Assorted Sliders Available" on the left and "The Valley Restaurant Live on the screens! Bookings essential - WhatsApp: 071 644 6743" on the right.

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The Details:

Please note this is a ROOM ONLY offering exclusively for Homeowners

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