



Change to Fee Structure and Pricing for 2022-23 Watercraft Permits Effective May 24, 2022.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Wait, I thought the new watercraft permit fee schedule for 2022-23 was already published?

After careful consideration, Spartanburg Water System has decided to modify the previously published watercraft permit fee schedule. The revised schedule will take effect on May 25, 2022 for the remainder of the 2022-23 boating season.

2. What revisions were made to the fee schedule and pricing?

Our fee structure will again include pricing for permits held by “Out of State” residents.

Additionally, we have reduced the fees for our “Out of County” residents, and have established a one-time, \$25 per non-powered watercraft permit fee for residents living in any location. This fee is paid only once (provided the sticker is not lost), and remains effective with each boating season.

3. Why were these changes made?

Spartanburg Water System received feedback from our watercraft permit holders that shared concerns with pricing for “Out of County” residents, as well as the change in pricing for non-motorized watercraft permits. Our Commission took this feedback into consideration and voted to adopt the modification to fee structure and permit pricing.

4. If I have already purchased a watercraft permit for this boating season and the price is now less, how should I proceed?

If you have already purchased a permit for your motorized or non-motorized watercraft that is registered as “Out of County,” Spartanburg Water will mail you a refund of the difference.

5. If I have already purchased a permit for a non-motorized watercraft, will I receive a different permit that will now remain effective without required renewal each boating season?

For anyone who has already purchased a non-powered watercraft permit and it is registered either for “Spartanburg County” or “Out of County” will receive a new permit in the mail to be placed on the port side of their vessel. The \$25 for all non-motorized watercraft is a one-time fee that does not require renewal with each boating season. Those with “Out of County” registrations will receive refunds for the difference in price between the previous permit and the new permit.

5. Where do I find the revised 2022-23 boating season watercraft permit fee schedule and pricing?

You can find the updated fee document on our website: www.spartanburgwater.org, and our watershed staff at both - Lake Bowen (864) 592-2240 and Lake Blalock (864) 578-5442 – are more than happy to answer any questions you may have.