

Subsidiary Legislation made under ss.10 & 14.

Electricity (Charges and Tariffs) Regulations 2021

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Commencement **1.8.2021**

Amending enactments	Relevant current Provisions	Commencement Date
LN. 2022/204	rr. 3, 3A, 5(2)-(3)	1.8.2022
2023/227	r. 5(2)	28.7.2023
2023/246	rr. 3, 5	17.8.2023

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In exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 10 and 14 of the Gibraltar Electricity Authority Act 2003, and all other enabling powers, the Minister, after consultation with the Gibraltar Electricity Authority, has made the following Regulations–

Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Electricity (Charges and Tariffs) Regulations 2021.

Commencement.

2. These Regulations come into operation on the 1 August 2021.

Tariffs.

3. The tariffs, charges and prices for the supply of electricity to be applied and charged in respect of the accounting period including 1 August 2021, and every such period thereafter, shall be as follows–

Flat Rate Tariffs.

Tariff No. 1 – Lighting.

16.6p per unit and in addition thereto there shall be paid a charge to be known as the Standing Additional Charge of £5.40 per calendar month.

Tariff No. 2 – Power.

14.7p per unit and in addition thereto there shall be paid a charge to be known as the Standing Additional Charge of £10.80 per calendar month.

Tariff No.3 – Tariff for Domestic Consumers.

11p per unit and in addition thereto there shall be paid a charge to be known as the Standing Additional Charge of £5.40 per calendar month.

Tariff No.4 – Commercial Tariff.

11p per unit and in addition thereto there shall be paid a charge to be known as the Standing Additional Charge of £7.56 per calendar month.

Tariff No.5 – Industrial Maximum Demand Tariff.

Charge is abolished and Consumers are charged under the Tariff No.4 - Commercial Tariff.

Tariff No.6A – Off-Peak Tariff.

Charge is abolished and Consumers are reclassified by the Gibraltar Electricity Authority as-

- (i) Domestic Consumers and charged under the Tariff No.3 – Tariff for Domestic Consumers; or
- (ii) Business, Commercial and General Consumers or Industrial Consumers and charged under the Tariff No.4 - Commercial Tariff,

as applicable.

Tariff No.6B – Off-Peak Tariff.

Charge is abolished and Consumers are reclassified by the Gibraltar Electricity Authority as-

- (i) Domestic Consumers and charged under the Tariff No.3 – Tariff for Domestic Consumers; or
- (ii) Business, Commercial and General Consumers or Industrial Consumers and charged under the Tariff No.4 - Commercial Tariff,

as applicable.

Flexible Cost Adjustment Formula.

The price set out in this Regulation of a unit of electricity shall be adjusted upwards or downwards by such amount or such method as the Government, having regard to the fluctuating cost of generating or supplying electricity, may prescribe.

Application Fee.

An application must be accompanied by payment of a fee of £34.50.

Discontinuation of Supply.

Where a supply of electricity has been discontinued under section 19 of the Act, a fee of £34.50 shall be paid by the Consumer before the supply is restored.

After Hours Service Fee.

A fee of £57.50 shall apply for an electrical installation inspection appointment which takes place outside of normal working hours.

Service Clearance Fee.

A request for a site service clearance to confirm the location of our services or infrastructure at any site must be accompanied by payment of a fee of £114.50.

Definitions.

The following definitions shall form part of the Schedule of Tariffs.

Unit.

A unit of electricity is the consumption of 1,000 watts for one hour, i.e. one kWh.

Power Factor.

Power factor means the figure obtained by dividing the kilowatts by the kilovolt-amperes or, in the case of average power factor, the kilowatt hours by the kilovolt-ampere hours recorded by the Gibraltar Electricity Authority's meters over a specified period.

Month (or quarter).

Month (or quarter) means the period comprised between the date any meter is read for the purpose of the account and the date it was read during the month (or quarter) immediately preceding.

Consumer.

Consumer means any authority, company, person or body of persons supplied or entitled to be supplied with electrical energy by Government.

Domestic Consumer.

Domestic consumer means a consumer who uses electrical energy for lighting, heating, cooling, refrigeration cooking or other purposes for the household and domestic reasons of one family with dependants.

Business, Commercial and General Consumer.

Business, commercial and general consumer means a consumer occupying premises wholly or mainly used for professional business, or for the purpose of distribution or retail trade, or for

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providing a service (whether or not a charge for such service is made) such as offices, shops, hotels, restaurants, bars, clubs, educational or training establishments, places of amusement, public institutions, churches, hospitals, nursing homes, laboratories and similar institutions.

Industrial Consumer.

Industrial consumer means a consumer engaged in extractive or manufacturing industry and on whose premises electricity is used for the most part for the purpose of a mine, quarry pit, factory, works, foundry mill, pumping plant, ship-building or repair and/or for motive power or for electro-chemical or electro-thermal process.

Weekly meter charge.

3A. The sum of £1 per week is payable in respect of every electricity meter.

Power Factor Penalty.

4. When the Chief Executive of the Gibraltar Electricity Authority determines that the power factor of an installation causes a network issue for the Gibraltar Electricity Authority, the Chief Executive may install meters to measure the average monthly (or quarterly) power factor and the Chief Executive shall have a discretion to increase the price payable per unit and any other charge.

Annual Indexation of Tariffs.

5.(1) Subject to the provision of this Regulation, the Tariffs and fees set out in Regulation 3 above must be revised annually in accordance with the Index of Retail Prices published by the Government Statistician.

(2) The first revision under this regulation shall apply as from 1 August 2024 and shall apply the Index of Retail Prices as at 1 April 2024, and subsequent revisions shall apply on each subsequent 1 April and apply the Index of Retail Prices prevailing on the preceding 1 January of that year.

(3) Any figure revised pursuant to subregulation (1) may be rounded as the Government may determine.

Revocation.

6. The Electricity (Charges and Tariffs) Regulations 2010 are revoked.