



Water Industry Registration Scheme (WIRS) – Accreditation Fees 2025-2026

The costs of operating the WIRS accreditation scheme is supported by a fee structure for members. The level of fees is agreed by WIRSAP and is as follows:

Fee Structure

Basic Fee [Note – reduced to £2763 for UCPs with current NERS or GIRS accreditation]	£3698
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Plus Scope Fee(s) From Table 1 below (as applicable)

Plus Scale Fee From Table 2 below (as applicable)

Total fees therefore depend on the scopes required & the size of the UCP being accredited plus the basic fee,

Table 1 – Fees relating to scope

Project management [Note – not required when construction accreditation is being sought]	£2413
Design	£2405
Construction – Main Laying and Service Connections	£4015
Construction – Service Connections only	£2208
Construction of Routine Mains Connections (as scope extension)	£4403
Construction of Routine or Non-Routine Mains Connections (Only applies in Scotland as stand-alone scope where construction accreditation is not separately held)	£5424
Meter Asset Maintenance	£2208

Table 2 – fees relating to size of UCP

[Size is based on the numbers, including support staff, who will be involved in WIRS related activities]	
<10 employees (inclusive of subcontractors)	£598
11 – 20 employees (as above)	£996
21 – 50 employees (as above)	£1236
51 – 100 employees (as above)	£2006
>100 employees (as above)	£4016

Notes

1. Where a UCP operates in a number of regions, managed from local depots/regional offices, they may require each operating base to be assessed. The cost of which would be additional to the fees detailed above. Such additional visits would be charged on a day rate basis.
2. The inclusive site rate is currently £1162 per day. This rate is applicable for surveillance visits
3. Reductions may apply where assessment time is saved by multiple scopes being evaluated at the same time or where requirements of scopes already held partly cover new scope requirements.
4. Fees are subject to revision in June of each year, next revision date June 2025.
5. Rates are exclusive of VAT
6. All fees quoted are subject to LRQA Limited Terms and Conditions

Next steps

To apply to be a WIRS accredited provider, please [complete the form on the LRQA website](#). If you have any questions, please contact the Utilities Team at utilities@lrqa.com.