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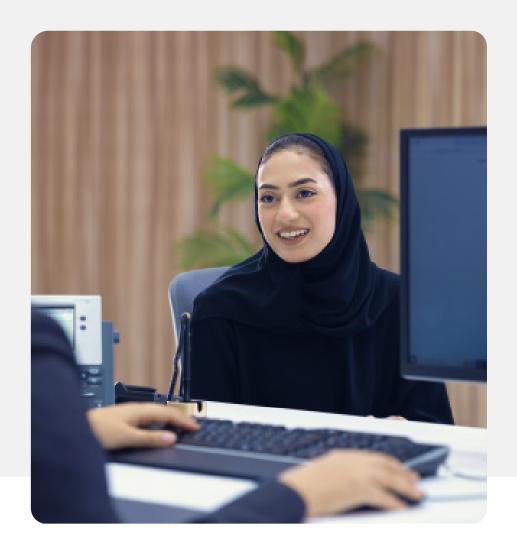
Your Guide to a Better Experience with EWA Services

At the Electricity and Water Authority (EWA), we are continuously enhancing your experience and making it easier for you to access our services. This is why we offer this comprehensive guide, which includes all the information and requirements for all beneficiary groups of our services.

This guide serves as a complete reference, offering you detailed information about our available services, including the available channels where you can benefit from these services. It covers all the procedures, requirements, and conditions to ensure you can easily and conveniently utilize our services.

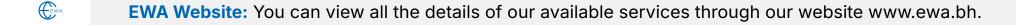
We use modern technology and advanced systems at the Authority to deliver digital services that are accessible to all customers through various digital channels. We also provide smart electronic services targeting all customers, alongside other diverse channels such as visiting service centres, virtual centres, and home visits for senior customers and people of determination.

Please note that while this guide provides all the documents and requirements for EWA's customer services, some information may be subject to change.



Customer Service Channels

We offer a variety of channels to efficiently deliver our services, ensuring you receive quick and effective support:



- Kingdom of Bahrain's National Portal: We offer various electronic services through the National Portal of the Kingdom of Bahrain, where our customers can submit their applications via www.bahrain.bh.
- Benayat Portal: You can submit new connection requests for electricity, water and renewable energy services through Benayat portal website **www.benayat.bh**, by contracting with licensed engineering offices.
- Virtual Centre: You can utilize our services through a 'Video Call' without the need to visit a service centre, by pre-booking an appointment through **Skiplino** app.
- Customer Service Centres: You can visit one of our service centres and utilize our services by pre-booking an appointment through **Skiplino** app.
- Call Centre: You can contact us 24/7 via our call centre at 17515555.
 - **Home Visits:** Senior customers and people of determination can easily utilize our services by booking a home visit appointment through our call centre at **17515555**.

Useful Tips

New Connections and Renewable Energy

For new electricity, water, and renewable energy connections, customers must contract with a licensed engineering firm to submit their application through the "Benayat" portal. This portal handles building permits and new service connections for electricity and water.

Following the engagement with the licensed engineering firm, procedures will be several completed before the service is connected. The firm will submit the application, attach all required documents and engineering drawings, and obtain necessary approvals from relevant authorities finalize the connection.

Government Subsidy

The government subsidy for electricity and water services is provided to Bahraini citizens for one account only. The following conditions apply:

- The account holder must be a Bahraini citizen registered as a head of household with Information & eGovernment Authority (iGA).
- The account holder's address registered with EWA must match the address registered on their ID card with iGA.

For details on government subsidy eligibility for different categories, please click here.

Transferring Accounts of Deceased Individuals

- After the death of the electricity and water account holder, it is necessary to update the information and transfer the account to another individual or cancel it.
- Government support for electricity and water services is automatically withdrawn following the account holder's death, based on updated information in the Information Authority and eGovernment.
- The Authority allows a period of up to 3 months to reclaim government support retroactively for subsidized accounts, provided that the account information is updated within the same period.
- Updating the information can be done through the "Open Electricity and Water Account" service.
- For more details, please visit our website www.ewa.bh

Payment Channels

Direct Deduction Services

You can pay your bills easily and conveniently through the Direct Deduction Services, which allow you to choose monthly deductions from your bank account or credit card according to your preference. This service also provides flexibility in setting the monthly deduction date and method. We offer two options for deduction:

- Variable Deduction
- Fixed Deduction

Other Payment channels

You can also make payments through our other electronic channels:

- EWA App (Get R on the App Store) Code R on Degree Play
- National Portal
- BenefitPay App "Fawateer Service"
- Electronic cheque
- stc Pay
- Automatic Payment Kiosk

External Documents Reference

Through this reference list you can identify the entities responsible for issuing some of the required documents to complete your services.

Document	Issued by
Lease contract registration receipt	Ministry of Justice, Islamic Affairs and Waqf
Religious ordinance document	Sharia Court
Title deed	Survey and Land Registration Bureau
Sale contract	Ministry of Justice, Islamic Affairs and Waqf
Building permit	Ministry of Municipalities Affairs & Agriculture
Aerial map	Survey and Land Registration Bureau
Address certificate	Information & eGovernment Authority
Survey certificate	Survey and Land Registration Bureau
No objection certificate for electricity connection	Ministry of Municipalities Affairs & Agriculture
Demolition certificate	Ministry of Municipalities Affairs & Agriculture

Open Account

Use this service to register an electricity and water account in your name if you need to activate electricity,

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Applicant	Owner	Heirs	Tenant	Authorized Occupant
Service fees	No Fees	No Fees	Deposit Amount (1)	Deposit Amount (1)
Processing time	2 working days	2 working days	2 working days	2 working days
Requirements				
Account Management Agreement (2)	~	~	✓	~
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓	✓	✓
Passport copy (for non-residents)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Official IBAN document, or register for the direct deduction service via credit card	✓	~	✓	✓
Photo of the Electricity Meter and Water Meter (optional)	✓	×	✓	×
Pay outstanding, if any	✓ (3)	✓	✓	✓
Other documents:	 Copy from the title deed or sale contract (4) Fill tenant evacuation notice in the account management agreement 	Copy of the religious ordinance document attached to an authorization letter signed by all the heirs & copies of the heirs' ID cards, or a notarized power of attorney on behalf of the heirs attached to an ID copy of the notarized person entrusted by the heirs	 Owner ID card, copy of both sides, or ID card reading data Lease contract Lease contract registration receipt A notarized power of attorney on behalf of the heirs attached to an ID copy of the notarized person entrusted by the heirs (In the case of a deceased property owner) 	A notarized power of attorney on behalf of the heirs attached to an ID copy of the notarized person entrusted by the heirs (In the case of a deceased property owner)

⁽¹⁾ Please refer to our website for more details about the deposit amounts & guarantee conditions



⁽²⁾ Not applicable for online channels

⁽³⁾ In case of ownership transfer, any outstanding arrears on the owner and property must be paid

⁽⁴⁾ Not applicable to the property owner registered with EWA

Close Account

Use this service if you want to close your electricity and water account and disconnect the service.

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Service fees	No Fees
Processing time	1 working day
Requirements	
Account Management Agreement (1)	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy (1)	✓
Passport copy (for non-residents) (1)	✓



New Electricity Connection

Use this service to apply for a new electricity connection for premises under construction if you want to provide your premises with electricity service (1).

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Voltage Type	High Voltage (11KV)	Low Voltage (415V)	
Service fees	Based on load and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)		
Processing time	70 working days	45 working days	
Requirements			
Electricity & Meter Services Agreement	✓	✓	
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓	
Confirmation certificate for the electricity supply power load (2)	✓	✓	
Copy of the building permit	✓	✓	
Copy of aerial map	✓	✓	
Copy of address certificate	✓	✓	
Copy of survey certificate	✓	✓	
Copy of title deed	✓	✓	
Copy of the lease contract, lease contract registration and a no-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	✓	



⁽¹⁾ You must apply for electricity meter installation service upon the readiness of your premise and the new electricity service connection completion.

⁽²⁾ Applicable for private projects

New Water Connection

Use this service to apply for a new water service connection for premises under construction if you want to provide your premises with water service.

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Service fees	Based on the type of connection and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)		
Processing time	21 working days		
Requirements			
Water Supply & Service Agreement	✓		
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓		
Copy of the building permit	✓		
Copy of address certificate	✓		
Copy of title deed	✓		
Copy of aerial map	✓		
Copy of survey certificate	✓		
Copy of the lease contract, lease contract registration and a no-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓		



Electricity Meter Installation

Use this service to install an electricity meter in your premises, after completing all the necessary procedures related to the readiness of the premises and the new electricity service connection.

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Meter Type	Temporary Meter	Permanent Meter	
Service fees	No Fees	No Fees	
Processing time	13 working days	5 working days	
Requirements			
Electricity & Meter Services Agreement	✓	✓	
Official IBAN document, or register for the direct deduction service via credit card	✓	✓	
No objection certificate for electricity connection	×	✓	
Copy of the lease contract, lease contract registration and a no-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	✓	

Water Sub-Meter Installation

Use this service to apply for a new water sub-meter connection for premises under construction to enable billing each unit according to its own consumption.

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Service Fees	Based on the type of connection and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)
Processing Time	8 working days
Requirements	
Water Supply & Service Agreement	✓
Plumber compliance form	✓



Additional Electricity Load

Use this service if you want to request additional electrical loads to your premises.

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Voltage Type	High Voltage (11KV)	Low Voltage (415V)		
Service fees	Based on load and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)			
Processing time	70 working days	45 working days		
Requirements				
Electricity and Meter Services Agreement	✓	✓		
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓		
Confirmation certificate for the electricity supply power load for private projects	✓	✓		
Copy of the building permit (1)	✓	✓		
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	✓		



Merge or Split Electricity Meters

Use this service if you want to merge or separate electricity meters and electrical loads in your premises.

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Service Type	Merge Electricity Meters	Split Electricity Meters
Service fees	No Fees	Based on load and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)
Processing time	13 working days	13 working days
Requirements		
Electricity & Meter Services Agreement	✓	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓
Copy of address certificate	✓	✓
Copy of the building permit if any	✓	✓
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	✓

Relocate Meters and Services

This service is available if you need to change the location of electricity meters or electrical service connections in your premises.

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Service Type	Meter & Services	Overhead Electricity	Underground Cable	Wall Box	
Service fees	Based on load and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)				
Processing time	3 - 30 working days	45 working days	30 working days	30 working days	
Requirements					
Technical Services Application	✓	✓	✓	✓	
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Copy of survey certificate	✓	✓	✓	✓	
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	~	✓	~	



Removal of Electricity Meters & Services

This service is available if you need to remove electricity meters and services when demolishing or renovating your premises.

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Service Type	Meters & Services Overhead Cables			
Service fees	Based on load and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)			
Processing time	3 - 5 working days 30 working days			
Requirements				
Technical Services Application	✓	✓		
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓		
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓	✓		
Copy of survey certificate	✓	✓		
Copy of demolition certificate	✓	✓		
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	✓		



Electricity Meter Test

Benefit from this service if you need to inspect your electricity meter.

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Service fees	10 BD
Processing time	15 working days
Requirements	
Technical Services Application	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini citizens and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓



Street Lighting Services

Use this service to submit requests related to street lighting.

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Service Type	Electricity Pole Relocation	Wall Lighting Removal	Wall Lighting Relocation	Installation of Wall Lighting
Service fees	Based on load and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)			
Processing time	20 working days 20 working days 20 working days 20 working			
Requirements				
Technical Services Application	✓	✓	✓	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	~	✓	✓
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓	✓	✓	×
Copy of survey certificate	✓	✓	✓	×
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	✓	✓	✓



Distributed Renewable Energy «Net Billing»

Use this service to benefit from the solar energy system by connecting your premises to the electricity grid. When excess energy is produced, the excess will be credited to your bill, helping to reduce your electricity costs and promote the use of renewable energy. This service is offered under an agreement with a licensed engineering office.

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⚠ Benayat

Service fees	No Fees
Processing time	4 working days
Service procedures	

- 1 Assign an EWA-approved contractor and consultant
- 2 The contractor submits the application through the "Benayat" system, attaching all required documents
- 3 The consultant reviews the application, ensures all requirements are met, and approves it via the system
- 4 EWA reviews the application, and upon approval, conducts a field inspection of the site
- 5 After a successful inspection, the system is connected to the national electricity grid

Change Water Connection Size

Use this service if there is an increased demand for water usage in your premises and you need to change the size of the water connections.

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Service fees	Based on the type of connection and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)		
Processing time	21 working days		
Requirements			
Water Supply & Service Agreement	✓		
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓		
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓		
Copy of survey certificate	✓		
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓		

Change Water Supply System

Use this service if you want to change the Water Supply System in your facility from a distribution system to a network system. This will allow for the installation of sub-meters in the facility, so that each unit is billed according to its own consumption.

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Service fees	Based on the type of connection and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)		
Processing time	21 working days		
Requirements			
Water Supply & Service Agreement	✓		
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓		
Plumber Compliance Form	✓ ·		
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓		
Copy of survey certificate	✓		
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓		



Removal of Water Meters and Services

This service is available if you need to remove the water meters and services when demolishing or renovating your premises.

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Service Type	Meters and Services
Service fees	No Fees
Processing time	5 working days
Requirements	
Technical Services Application	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓
Copy of survey certificate	✓
Copy of demolition certificate	✓
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓



Relocation of Water Meters and Services

This service is available if you need to change the location of water meters or water lines in your premises.

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Call Centre

Service fees	Based on the type of connection and conditions (Law 13 - 2006)	
Processing time	21 working days	
Requirements		
Technical Services Application	✓	
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	
Copy of title deed including aerial map	✓	
Copy of survey certificate	✓	
No-objection letter from the owner (Tenants only)	✓	



Water Meter Test

Benefit from this service if you need to inspect your water meter.

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Service fees	12mm - 10BD 25mm - 15 BD 50mm	m -20 BD
Processing time	3 working days	
Requirements		
Technical Services Application	✓	
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	



Direct Deduction

Use this service to manage your monthly payments with ease. Choose between a fixed or variable monthly deduction based on your lifestyle. The amount will be automatically deducted using your preferred payment method, whether it's through your bank account or credit card, on the date you select.

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Deduction Method	Fixed Deduction	Variable Deduction
Service fees	No Fees	No Fees
Processing time	4 Working Days for Bank Account 1 Working Day for Credit Card	4 Working Days for Bank Account 1 Working Day for Credit Card
Requirements		
Official IBAN document (1)	✓	✓



Credit Refund

Use this service if you want to request a refund of your credit balance. According to the terms and conditions.

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Applicant	Owner / Tenant	Heirs	Commercial Registration
Service fees	No Fees	No Fees	No Fees
Processing time	14 working days	14 working days	14 working days
Requirements			
(Deposit/Credit) Refund Request Form (1)	✓	✓	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓	✓
Official IBAN document	✓	✓	✓
Other documents:		 Official Power of Attorney from all heirs or attendance in person at a customer services centre Copy of religious ordinance document ID card copies (both sides) or ID card reading data for both the deceased and the heirs 	 Copy of the commercial registration certificate Extract of the commercial registration certificate



Deposit Refund

Use this service if you want a refund of the security deposit after closing your electricity and water account and receiving the final bill.

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Applicant	Tenant	Heirs	Commercial Registration
Service fees	No Fees	No Fees	No Fees
Processing time	7 working days	7 working days	7 working days
Requirements			
(Deposit/Credit) Refund Request Form	✓	✓	✓
ID card copy (both sides) or ID card reading data (for Bahraini and resident) or CR certificate copy	✓	✓	✓
Official IBAN document	✓	✓	✓
Other documents:		 Official power of attorney from all heirs or attending personally in customer services centre Copy of religious ordinance document 	 Copy of the commercial registration certificate Extract of the commercial registration certificate







