

How the Water Bill Split Works - Hirvensarvi 16 B

This document explains how we fairly split the water bill between Ameen (AS-1) and Jussi (AS-2).

THE BASIC IDEA

- Basic fees (perusmaksu): Split 50/50 because they are fixed charges for the property
- Consumption fees (kayttomaksut): Split by actual water usage from sub-meters

THE MATH (with example)

Let's say the HSY bill shows:

- Basic fees total: 84,00 EUR
- Consumption total: 222,00 EUR
- Total bill: 306,00 EUR

And the sub-meter readings show:

- Ameen used: 12 m³
- Jussi used: 18 m³
- Total sub-meter: 30 m³

Step 1: Calculate each person's share of consumption

$$\text{Ameen's fraction} = 12 / 30 = 0.40 \text{ (40\%)}$$

$$\text{Jussi's fraction} = 18 / 30 = 0.60 \text{ (60\%)}$$

Step 2: Apply fractions to consumption fees

$$\text{Ameen's consumption cost} = 222,00 \text{ EUR} \times 0.40 = 88,80 \text{ EUR}$$

$$\text{Jussi's consumption cost} = 222,00 \text{ EUR} \times 0.60 = 133,20 \text{ EUR}$$

Step 3: Split basic fees 50/50

$$\text{Ameen's basic fee} = 84,00 \text{ EUR} / 2 = 42,00 \text{ EUR}$$

$$\text{Jussi's basic fee} = 84,00 \text{ EUR} / 2 = 42,00 \text{ EUR}$$

Step 4: Add them up

$$\text{Ameen's total} = 42,00 + 88,80 = 130,80 \text{ EUR}$$

$$\text{Jussi's total} = 42,00 + 133,20 = 175,20 \text{ EUR}$$

$$\text{Combined} = 130,80 + 175,20 = 306,00 \text{ EUR (matches the bill!)}$$

THE FORMULAS

If you want the exact formulas:

$$A = \text{Ameen's water usage (m}^3\text{)}$$

$$J = \text{Jussi's water usage (m}^3\text{)}$$

$$B = \text{Basic fees total (EUR)}$$

$$T = \text{Consumption fees total (EUR)}$$

$$\text{Ameen pays} = B/2 + T \times (A / (A + J))$$

$$\text{Jussi pays} = B/2 + T \times (J / (A + J))$$

SETTLEMENT

Since Jussi pays the HSY bill directly, the settlement is simple:

- Ameen pays Jussi his calculated share

In the example above: Ameen pays Jussi 130,80 EUR

WHEN IS THE MAIN METER CONSIDERED?

The main meter reading is OPTIONAL. It is used only for detecting mismatch between the main meter and sub-meters.

Mismatch (D) = Main meter - (Ameen's sub-meter + Jussi's sub-meter)

$$D = M - (A + J)$$

Why mismatch can happen:

- Small measurement differences between meters
- Meter reading timing differences (a few hours apart)
- Meter calibration variations

DEFAULT: "Ignore mismatch"

Mismatch is shown for information only.

Costs are split using sub-meter readings as-is.

This is the recommended setting.

OPTION A: "Split mismatch 50/50" (if both agree)

Each person gets half the mismatch added to their usage:

$$\text{Adjusted Ameen} = A + D/2$$

$$\text{Adjusted Jussi} = J + D/2$$

Then split costs using the adjusted values.

OPTION B: "Split mismatch proportional" (if both agree)

Mismatch is added based on each person's usage ratio:

$$\text{Adjusted Ameen} = A + D \times (A / (A + J))$$

$$\text{Adjusted Jussi} = J + D \times (J / (A + J))$$

Then split costs using the adjusted values.

Example (proportional):

Main meter (M): 32 m³

Ameen (A): 12 m³, Jussi (J): 18 m³

Mismatch (D): 32 - 30 = 2 m³

$$\text{Ameen's fraction} = 12/30 = 0.40$$

$$\text{Jussi's fraction} = 18/30 = 0.60$$

$$\text{Adjusted Ameen} = 12 + (2 \times 0.40) = 12.8 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{Adjusted Jussi} = 18 + (2 \times 0.60) = 19.2 \text{ m}^3$$

Costs are then split using 12.8 and 19.2 instead of 12 and 18.

TRUE-UP / RECONCILIATION

When HSY sends a correction (oikaisu) for estimated bills:

- Enter the correction amount (positive for extra charge, negative for credit)
- The amount is split proportionally by usage
- If positive, Ameen pays Jussi. If negative, Jussi credits Ameen.

WHY THIS IS FAIR

- You pay for what you use
- Basic fees are shared equally (both apartments benefit from the connection)
- The math is transparent and verifiable
- History is saved for reference and auditing
- Both parties can see all calculations and data

DATA SAVED FOR EACH PERIOD

- Invoice number, estimated water, due date
- Billing period dates
- Meter reading dates and times
- Main meter usage (optional)
- Sub-meter usage (AS-1 and AS-2)
- Basic fees and consumption totals
- Calculated shares for each party
- Mismatch information (if main meter provided)

Questions? Check the app or ask Ameen.