

**COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS COMMONWEALTH
TELEPHONE COMPANY**

LOCAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

RATES AND RULES

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FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
INFORMATIONAL TARIFF FOR COMPETITIVE SERVICES

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The Lifeline Program is a federally funded program established to provide monthly assistance to residential low income households. Eligible subscribers will receive a monthly credit of \$9.25.

B. REGULATIONS

1. Lifeline Service is available to qualified residence customers who purchase qualifying services. Lifeline Service is limited to only one service per qualified customer or household. A potential Lifeline customer who has an outstanding final bill for telephone service which is less than (4) years old must pay the entire balance of any Basic Service final bill before being eligible for Lifeline Service. (C)
2. Residence Voice Lifeline Service consists of voice telephone service or broadband access as defined in 47 C.F.R. §54.400 (C)
 - a. One-Party Residence Line Rate or Local Measured Service Option, if available.
 - b. Directory Listing (standard only).
 - c. Non-Published or Non-Listed Telephone Number Service (only when a customer need has been determined by the Telephone Company).
 - d. Access to Directory Assistance Service.
 - e. Touch-Tone Calling Service.
 - f. Access to Message Toll Telephone Service and Optional Dial Station-To-Station Calling Plan Services. However, the Residence Lifeline Dial Tone Line will be blocked from dial station access to 976/556/900 and any other type of Audiotex Service.
 - g. Access to Operator Services.
 - h. Voluntary Toll Restriction Option.
 - i. Access to 800/888 Services.
 - j. Access to Call Trace.
 - k. Access to Altering and Reporting Systems (9-1-1 dialing).
 - l. Access to the Pennsylvania Telecommunications Relay Service.
 - m. Provides Caller ID line blocking and per-call blocking services to be available to Lifeline Service subscribers, to the extent that they are offered.
 - n. Other eligible telecommunications services at tariffed rates.

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B. REGULATIONS (cont.)

3. An applicant for Lifeline Services must be a residential customer who is a current participant in one of the following programs, or be able to provide proof of income which is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.”

(C)

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) Programs:

- Medicaid
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Additional Eligible Federal Programs:

- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Veterans Pension
- Veterans Survivors Pension

(C)

The DHS Programs listed above must be certified by DPW. Such certification by DPW will be provided only when a DPW client requests Lifeline Service based on the client’s status as a participant in any of the above eligibility programs. Certification by DPW will be limited to confirmation of the client’s program status (i.e., participation or nonparticipation). Participation by DPW is subject to execution of an agreement with DPW and Commonwealth Telephone Company.

(C)

In addition to meeting the qualifications provided above, in order to constitute a qualifying low-income consumer, a consumer must not already be receiving a Lifeline service, and there must not be anyone else in the subscriber’s household subscribed to a Lifeline service. For the purpose of this section, a household is defined as “any individual or group of individuals who are living together as one economic unit” an economic unit is “all adult individuals contributing to and sharing in the income and expenses of a household”.

4. The Company will recertify subscribers annually according to 47 C.F.R Sec. 54.410 (f). The subscriber shall have 60 days from the date of the recertification notice to recertify or demonstrate continued eligibility prior to discontinuance of their Lifeline benefits. IF the subscriber does not recertify or demonstrate continued eligibility prior to the expiration of the 60 day period, their Lifeline credit will be discontinued on the following bill.

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B. REGULATIONS (cont.)

5. Lifeline Service will not be provided via Foreign Exchange or Foreign Central Office Service arrangements. (C)
6. Customer requested temporary suspension of Lifeline Service is not permitted. (C)
7. Lifeline customers are subject to all Residence service regulations in this and other tariffs of Commonwealth Telephone Company. (C)
8. Residence Lifeline Service cannot be resold by the Lifeline customer or the Lifeline customer agent(s).
9. Resale of Lifeline Services is no longer available.
10. All outstanding charges, account balances and service restrictions apply to existing customers who qualify for Lifeline Service. Service restrictions will remain until the arrearage(s) have been paid in full. (C)
11. Any Lifeline customer who has a past due balance of Toll Charges will be treated with the Chapter 64 regulations. The Residence Toll Restoral Charge applies to Lifeline customers suspended for non-payment and who subsequently pay their outstanding toll charges and restore service. If a Lifeline customer is toll restricted for a second occurrence, the Company may, at its discretion, place the Lifeline customer on permanent toll restriction.
12. Toll-Blocking and Toll-Control services will be provided at no charge to Lifeline Service subscribers to the extent that they are offered.

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