# **GUARD – Creating a New Login**

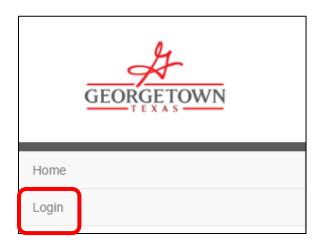


You will need the following Items:

- Name
- Account #
- Email Address

https://guard.georgetowntexas.gov/

• Please click LOGIN

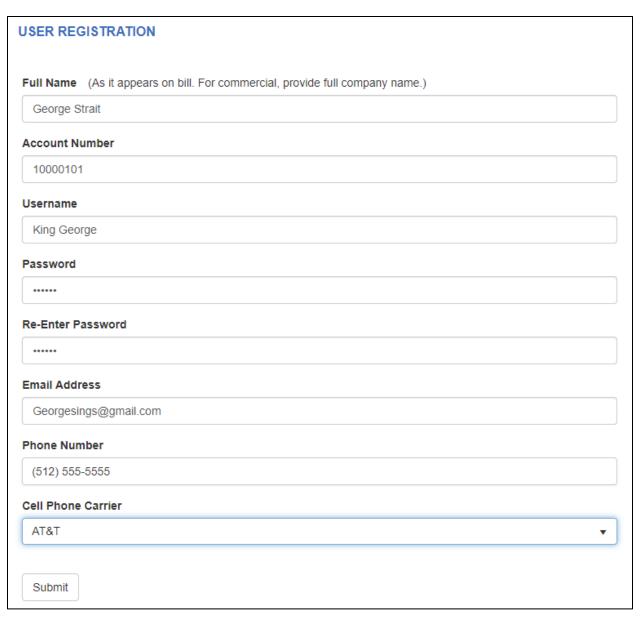


• Please click CREATE USER



• Please enter your information in the registration form.

# **EXAMPLE:**



- Please keep your password in a secure location.
- Once you click submit, you will receive a confirmation email and be directed back to the main screen to login as a user.

### Example:

Welcome to our Customer Engagement Portal!

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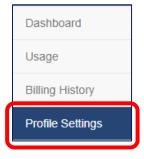
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Welcome to the Guard! It may take up to 48 hours before you will see data in the Portal. If you do not see any data after this time frame, please contact the utility. Thanks, Site Admin

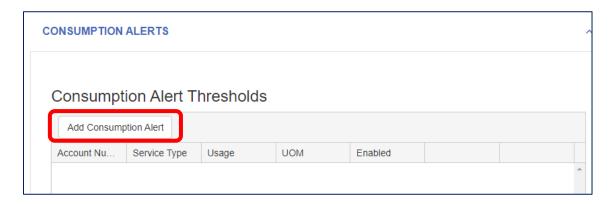
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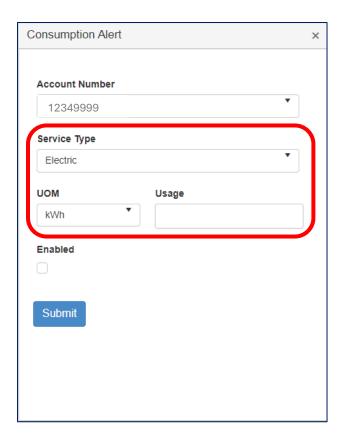
# **Creating Consumption Alerts**

Please click on the Profile Settings tab



- On the right side of the screen, you will see the Consumption Alert Thresholds
- Please click Add Consumption Alert





 You can select the service for which you want to receive an email alert once your consumption reaches a specific threshold.

> Water is measured in gallons Electric is measured in kWh (kilowatt hours)

# What usage amount do I choose?

Some things to consider in choosing your threshold amounts:

- What is your average usage?
- What is your maximum usage?
- Would you prefer to be notified only if there is usage over your maximum?
  - o This could indicate a water leak or a malfunctioning HVAC system
- Or maybe you'd like to be alerted when your usage simply pushes you into the next water rate tier?
  - This alert could serve as an early warning for a potential leak, or perhaps your primary concern is managing your usage to stay within specific budget limits.

#### **Residential Water Rate Tiers**

0 to 7,000 gallons 7,001 to 15,000 gallons 15,000 to 25,000 gallons 25,000 and more

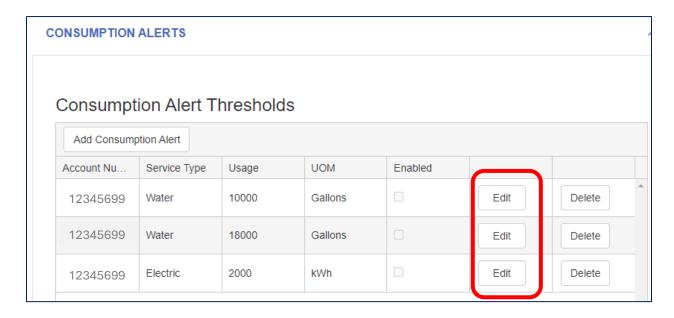
#### Water

For residential, a good place to start is 15,000 gallons. That will tell you that any additional water use would move you into tier 3 rates. If you have an irrigation system, that might not be high enough. Use your usage history as a guide. You can see this history in your CSS portal account.

#### **Electric**

According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, the average Texas household uses approximately 1,094 kWh of electricity per month. Factors such as the number of people in your household, the size of your home, your heat source, or even maintaining livestock can all contribute to higher energy consumption and might be worth considering when evaluating your own usage.

The good news is that if you get too many alerts or not enough, you can simply log back in and edit your thresholds.



If you need additional assistance, please feel free to contact our Customer Care Team:

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512-930-3640 or via your CSS portal