

Marine Culture and Aquarium Laboratory (MCAL) Rates

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Please contact the Baruch Marine Field Lab front office (843-904-9024) well in advance of your proposed research activity to discuss specific needs, availability, and costs.

Space and Service Charges:

Research space	\$0.07 / day / ft ²
Seawater	\$1.50 / gallon
Staff assistance for research, education, or construction	\$80 / hour

NOTE:

- The volume of seawater withdrawal must be documented on the log adjacent to the access taps. Seawater usage is billed monthly. Please provide all requested contact information on the form for billing purposes.
- Various tanks, aquaria, and equipment in the MCAL are provided free of charge to users on an as-available, first-come, first-serve basis. The Baruch Institute takes no responsibility for the condition, operation, or cost of repairs to available equipment.
- Costs of repairs to MCAL infrastructure due to accidents or user negligence will be the responsibility of the user.
- Set-up, operation, and break-down of experiments is the sole responsibility of the MCAL user. Failure to clean equipment and/or space after experiments are concluded will result in a charge for clean up at the staff assistance hourly rate (\$80 / hour).

The fee schedule is based on a pro rata cost recovery structure and is subject to change as necessary. For users who administer grants through the Institute and generate overhead, a return of overhead will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis.

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