

Access Charges

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There are two discounts applied to the 1995 access charges: a progressive discount as a function of increasing bandwidth, and a discount for the first two months of any upgrade.

The bandwidth discount approximates the regular PTT discounts per below:

64 Kb = 20 XEU Kb/month	0%
128 Kb = 19 XEU Kb/month	5%
192 Kb = 18 XEU Kb/month	10%
256 Kb = 17 XEU Kb/month	15%
384 Kb = 16 XEU Kb/month	20%
512 Kb = 15 XEU Kb/month	25%
768 Kb = 14 XEU Kb/month	30%
1024 Kb = 14 XEU Kb/month	30%
1536 Kb = 13 XEU Kb/month	35%
1920 Kb = 13 XEU Kb/month	35%

The upgrade discount smoothes out the "square wave" increase whenever bandwidth is increased. The access charge for the first month of the upgrade will be 1/3 of the difference between the original and upgrade charges. The second month's charge will be 2/3 of the upgrade cost. The third month's charge will be at the normal full rate. The discount is overall equal to one full month of free access charge on the upgrade increment.