FICTIONAL SAMPLE / ONE INDEPENDENT RESTAURANT

Restaurant Bill Checkup

Three recurring bills reviewed: point of sale, internet and linen.

$123 / month
Potential recurring cuts

$1,476 / year
Annualized, before any one-time charges

01 Remove two inactive POS device lines — $58/mo

The bill shows three terminals at $29 each. The manager confirms only one is in use. Leave that terminal and the base POS plan alone.

Ask the rep: “Please remove only the two inactive device subscriptions. Confirm the effective date and any fee in writing.”

02 Right-size the weekly linen delivery — $65/mo

The manager reports 25 unused towels after each delivery. If 25 billed weekly units can be removed at $0.60 each, that is $15 per visit. That is $780 over 52 visits, or $65 per month on average.

Ask the rep: “Can we reduce our weekly towel count by 25? Please confirm the unit rate, minimums and when the change starts.”

03 Keep internet as-is until you have a quote — Not counted

The bill does not establish whether a cheaper plan can retain the upload speed and reliability the site requires.

Ask the rep: “Quote a lower-cost plan with comparable service. Include post-promo pricing, equipment and term. Do not change service yet.”

First move

Send the POS request. For both proposed cuts, confirm terms and check the first full bill before calling the savings realized.

All figures are illustrative. The estimates exclude taxes, termination fees, and any changes to minimum charges.