

FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE – HYDRANT USE POLICY

Use of the Authority's fire hydrants by any one other than authorized fire departments and Authority personnel is prohibited unless the following conditions are met.

1. Any person(s) or business desiring to use a fire hydrant as a source of water obtains a permit from the Authority to use a specific fire hydrant, and pays a deposit of \$100.00.

Suggested Change

As set forth in the current user rates.

2. The user will be provided with the fire hydrant meter assembly for use while obtaining water from the hydrant permitted.

The user will provide support for the meter assembly when attached to the hydrant. The user must **NOT** allow the weight of the unit to be borne by the hydrant nozzle.

After setting up the hydrant meter assembly, the user will open the hydrant completely to avoid damage to hydrant setting. The user will **NOT** use the hydrant main valve to control flows.

3. The reading on the meter will be recorded when the unit is picked up by the permittee.
4. At the end of each day the user will turn off the main valve to the hydrant.
5. When the user has finished with their use of the hydrant, the user will remove the fire hydrant meter assembly from the hydrant and return it to the Authority office.
6. The Authority will record the meter reading.
7. Authority staff will inspect the fire hydrant meter assembly for damage.
8. The user will be billed for the water used using this procedure.

Suggested Change

Responsible person

During the period the hydrant meter is in their possession.

- a. The charge for the water used will be calculated at a rate set forth in the rate structure.

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- b. The user will be charged for replacement of fire hydrant meter assembly parts or entire assembly, if damaged
 - c. If the amount owed for water used and any damage to equipment is greater than the deposit, the hydrant user will pay the difference.
 - d. If the amount owed for the water used and any damage to equipment is less than the deposit, the user will be issued a refund for the difference between the deposit and the charge for the water used.
9. Authority staff will inspect the hydrant and determine that it is functional..

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