

Qualifying Conditions

Section 3.14 Temporary Service Through a Fire Hydrant

- A. Temporary service shall mean service through a fire hydrant for a particular project during the period of time from the start of construction to project completion in order to facilitate building construction, dust control, and irrigation for erosion control purposes only (including re-vegetation). Temporary service through a fire hydrant meter will only be allowed annually (weather permitting) from the first business day in May until the last business day in October.
- B. Prior to receiving temporary service from the District through a fire hydrant, the owner of the property to which temporary water service will be provided (“customer”) shall comply with the following:
1. The fire hydrant to be used must be located on or in the public right of way directly adjacent to the property for which the service is to be used.
 2. The customer shall make a written application on the form provided by the District.
 3. The customer must designate an operator of the service in writing.
 4. The customer shall pay to the District in advance a deposit as stated in the Master Fee Schedule.

Upon receipt of the completed application and deposit, the District will review the application and proposed location of service. The District will consider granting service based on location, possible negative impacts to the distribution system, and fire hydrant age. Approval of the application is subject to the District’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan, which may require the use of recycled water for temporary uses when a Water Supply Shortage has been declared.

Upon acceptance of application, the District will arrange for the hydrant meter and ancillary equipment to be installed by District staff. Mandatory training of the designated operator of the service will be provided at the time of installation by District staff.

- C. Upon initiation of temporary service, actual charges for service shall be determined by the District and calculated as follows:
1. The monthly service charge stated in the Master Fee Schedule shall be imposed for each month of temporary service rendered to the customer. The monthly service charge shall be prorated on a daily basis for portions of months of service.
 2. The District shall charge the customer for actual water usage as registered by the meter. The rate charged for water usage shall be the commodity charge for commercial users stated in the Master Fee Schedule.
 3. The customer will be charged for the actual costs for repair or replacement of the meter as a result of damage or modification during the period of temporary service. The District shall deduct these costs from the deposit made by the customer. The District

shall have the right to require the customer to replenish the deposit to the full amount after any deduction of funds used to pay for repairs or replacement. If the customer refuses to replenish the deposit amount within 10 days, the District may terminate service and remove the hydrant meter and ancillary equipment.

- D. The District shall bill the customer receiving temporary water service. The customer shall pay such bills in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of Section 6.15 of Division VI of this.

Chapter 12. If a customer does not pay a temporary water service bill when due, the District may terminate service and remove the hydrant meter and ancillary equipment or lock off the meter until the bill is paid.

- E. A completed application for temporary service shall constitute a written agreement between the customer and the District whereby the customer agrees to pay for all service rendered pursuant to the application and agrees to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations governing water service. The application for temporary service shall be signed by the owner of the property to which temporary water service is provided.
- F. The temporary water service shall terminate when construction, dust control and irrigation for erosion control have been completed or if the permit issued for the property receiving temporary service terminates or becomes void for any reason, in which event the meter and any associated equipment will be removed by the District.
- G. In addition to other enforcement provisions of this Chapter 12, the District may immediately terminate the supply of water to any person receiving temporary water service in violation of this section. The person shall be liable for all charges as determined in accordance with Section 3.14.C above through the date of termination and all reasonable expenses, including but not limited to, attorney's fees, incurred by the District in its enforcement of this Section 3.14.G.