

## **TRI-COUNTY RURAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT MEMBER USAGE RULES**

MEMBERS WHO JOIN THE DISTRICT WILL PAY THE MEMBERSHIP FEE AND THE APPROPRIATE TAP FEE WITH THE DISTRICT INSTALLING AND HAVING EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE SUCH ITEMS:

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| (1) CORPORATION STOP | (3) SADDLE             |
| (2) WATER METER      | (4) METER TILE AND LID |

ADDITIONAL COSTS TO THE PROPERTY OWNER THAT CAN BE EXPECTED AT THE TIME OF INSTALLATION INCLUDES (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO):

- (1) THE OWNER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTAINENCE OF THE SERVICE LINE FROM THE WATER MAIN LINE TO THE USAGE POINT.
- (2) THE OWNER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO PUT IN A REGULATOR IF NEEDED.

ONLY ONE DWELLING IS PERMITTED PER TAP. VIOLATION IS CAUSE FOR LOSS OF SERVICE.

NO SYSTEM CROSS-CONNECTIONS WILL BE PERMITTED. OHIO EPA AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LAWS PROHIBIT SUCH CROSS-CONNECTIONS. PRIVATE WELLS, CISTERNS, AND THE LIKE CANNOT BE INTERCONNECTED IN ANY WAY WITH ANY PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM.

## **EASEMENT OF RIGHT OF WAY**

THE MEMBER AGREES TO GIVE TO THE DISTRICT, ITS SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, A PERPETUAL EASEMENT, IN, OVER, UNDER, AND UPON THE LAND DESCRIBED IN THE MEMBER'S APPLICATION WITH THE RIGHT TO ERECT, CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, AND LAY, AND THEREAFTER USE, OPERATE AND INSPECT, REPAIR, MAINTAIN, REPLACE AND REMOVE WATER AND SEWER PIPELINES AND APPURTENANT FACILITIES, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT OF INGRESS & EGRESS OVER ADJECENT LAND FOR THE PURPOSE ABOVE.

### **PAYMENT:**

THE MEMBER AGREES TO PAY FOR WATER AND/OR SEWER AT SUCH RATES, TIME, AND PLACE AS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT THROUGH ITS EXECUTIVE BOARD, AND AGREES TO THE PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABOVE AS SET OUT IN THE CURRENT RULES & REGULATIONS. THE MEMBER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WATER AND/OR SEWER CHARGES FOR ALL RENTAL PROPERTY. IF THE WATER HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED, THE MEMBER WILL PAY A RECONNECT FEE.

THE FAILURE OF A MEMBER OR CUSTOMER TO PAY WATER CHARGES DULY IMPOSED SHALL RESULT IN THE AUTOMITIC IMPOSITION OF THE FOLLOWING PENALTIES:

- (1) AFTER THE DUE DATE, A PENALTY OF 10% + \$10.00 BILL FEE WILL BE CHARGED TO THE DELINQUENT ACCOUNT
- (2) A RETURN PAYMENT CHARGE OF \$35.00 WILL BE CHARGED FOR ALL RETURNED PAYMENTS THAT INCLUDE CHECKS, DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS AND ACH.
- (3) WHEN THERE HAS BEEN NONPAYMENT FOR A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS, PROPERTY TAXES WILL BE ASSESSED IF THE BILL IS NOT PAID IN FULL BY A DATE DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT.

**MEMBERSHIP POLICY:**

THE MEMBER MUST PROVIDE THE DISTRICT WITH A COPY OF A RECORDED DEED AND SIGN MEMBERSHIP PAPERS BEFORE THE CONTRACTOR IS CALLED TO INSTALL TAP.

**TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:**

THE MEMBER MUST PROVIDE THE DISTRICT WITH A COPY OF A RECORDED DEED AND SIGN MEMBERSHIP PAPERS WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF TRANSFER OR WATER WILL BE TURNED OFF IMMEDIATELY.

**METER POLICY:**

A REQUEST FOR A METER ACCURACY TEST WILL BE \$25.00 (PAID IN ADVANCE) FOR A 5/8, 3/4 AND 1 METER. LARGER METERS CHARGED AT LABOR AND EQUIPMENT RATES. CUSTOMER MUST SIGN REQUEST FOR TESTING AND WITNESS THE TEST. IF THE METER IS FOUND TO BE IN THE ALLOWABLE LIMIT OF ACCURACY, THERE WILL BE NO REFUND. IF THE CUSTOMER REQUESTS A METER REPLACEMENT, AFTER THE METER ACCURACY TEST IS FOUND TO BE WITHIN THE ALLOWABLE LIMIT THEY WILL BE CHARGED FOR A NEW METER.

**WATER SHORTAGES:**

THE DISTRICT THROUGH ITS EXECUTIVE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE ALLOCATION OF WATER TO ITS MEMBERS AND CUSTOMERS IN THE EVENT OF A WATER SHORTAGE AND MAY TERMINATE THE SUPPLY TO ANY MEMBER OR CUSTOMER WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH SUCH RESTRICTIONS AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE DISTRICT THROUGH ITS EXECUTIVE BOARD.

**USAGE:**

THE MEMBER, CUSTOMER OR PROPERTY OWNER SHALL CONNECT HIS/HER SERVICE LINE TO THE DISTRICT'S DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AFTER NOTIFICATION THAT WATER SERVICE IS AVAILABLE TO THEM. A MINIMUM MONTHLY BILL WILL RESULT THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER NOTIFICATION REGARDLESS OF WHETHER HIS/HER SERVICE LINE HAS BEEN CONNECTED TO THE DISTRICT'S WATERLINE.

**LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:**

IT IS AGREED BY THE PARTIES HERETO THAT IF THE MEMBER ELECTS TO VOID THIS AGREEMENT, LIQUIDATED DAMAGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00 SHALL BE PAID TO THE DISTRICT. THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00 IS AGREED UPON AS LIQUIDATED DAMAGES IN THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE, TO PROVE THE ACTUAL AMOUNT OF SAID ABLE FORECAST OF PROBABLE ACTUAL LOSS BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTY OF ESTIMATING WITH EXACTNESS THE RESULTING DAMAGES.

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:**

AFTER A MEMBER PAYS LIQUIDATED DAMAGES AND WANTS THEIR WATER RECONNECTED, THEY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE A NEW MEMBERSHIP AND TAP AT THE CURRENT RATE AND ARRANGE WITH THE DISTRICT FOR A RE-INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY FOR CROSS-CONNECTIONS AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION PAYING ALL THE ASSOCIATED COSTS.

FEE SCHEDULE: AFTER JUNE 2023

MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$200.00 +TAP FEE \$1,800.00

\$200.00+TAP COST FOR TAPS LARGER THAN ¾

TRI-COUNTY RURAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT ESTABLISHED JUNE 26, 1990 UPDATED BOARD RESOLUTION MAY 15, 2023.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRI-COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT POLICY - CROSS CONNECTIONS</b></p>
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THERE WILL ABSOLUTELY BE NO CROSS CONNECTS PERMITTED ANYWHERE WITHIN TRI-COUNTY'S SYSTEM.

CROSS CONNECTIONS ARE ANYWHERE ANY OTHER SOURCE COULD CONTAMINATE OR BE INTRODUCED INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM.

MULTIPLE SOURCES OF SUPPLY CAN EXIST WITHIN THE CONSUMER'S AREA: HOWEVER, THESE CANNOT BE TIED TOGETHER IN ANY MANNER.

TRI-COUNTY HAS THE RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY TO INSPECT EACH WATER CONSUMING AREA TO ENSURE THAT NO CROSS CONNECTS EXIST.

**IF CROSS CONNECTS ARE IDENTIFIED, THE CROSS CONNECT WILL BE REMOVED BEFORE THE END OF THE FOLLOWING WORKING DAY. IF NOT REMOVED WATER SERVICE WILL BE DISCONNECTED UNTIL THE CONSUMER RECTIFIES THIS CONDITION.**

WHEN SERVICE IS DISCONNECTED, STANDARD RECONNECT FEES WILL BE APPLICABLE.

YARD HYDRANTS (FROST FREE HYDRANTS, FREEZE RESISTANT SANITARY YARD HYDRANTS ETC.) ARE PROHIBITED UNLESS ALREADY INSTALLED ON THE CONSUMERS WATER SYSTEM AND THEN THE FOLLOWING APPLIES

**"FOR YARD HYDRANTS WITH WEEP HOLES INSTALLED ON A CONSUMER'S WATER SYSTEM, THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM SHALL BE PROTECTED BY A REDUCED PRESSURE(RP) PRINCIPLE BACKFLOW PREVENTER." OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (OAC) 3745-95-09 C  
THE RP MUST BE TESTED YEARLY AND THE RESULTS SENT TO TRI-COUNTY RURAL WATER & SEWER DISTRICT.**

**ALL YARD HYDRANTS SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE BACKFLOW PREVENTION AND CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL REQUIREMENTS. OAC 3745-95-09**

**PLEASE CHECK OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 3745-95 FOR MORE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION AND THE LATEST IN BACKFLOW AND CROSS-CONNECTION GUIDELINES.**

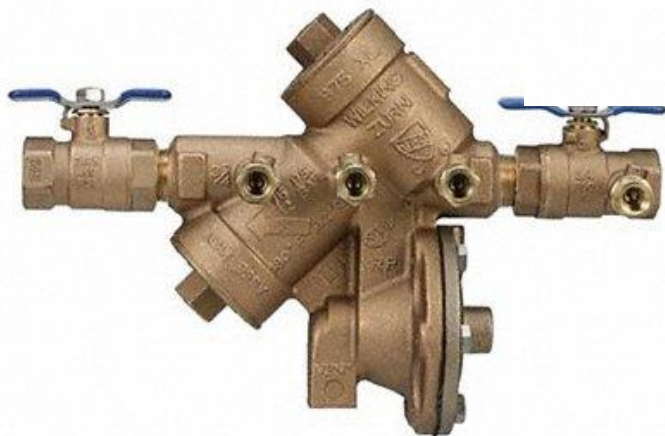


Vacuum Breaker Hose Bib  
Should be on all outside spigots  
Can be easily found on Amazon

Backflow Preventer dual check

Acceptable for low hazard sites

TCRW will make efforts to determine what degree of hazard a property is.



Reduced Pressure Zone (RPZ) Backflow preventer

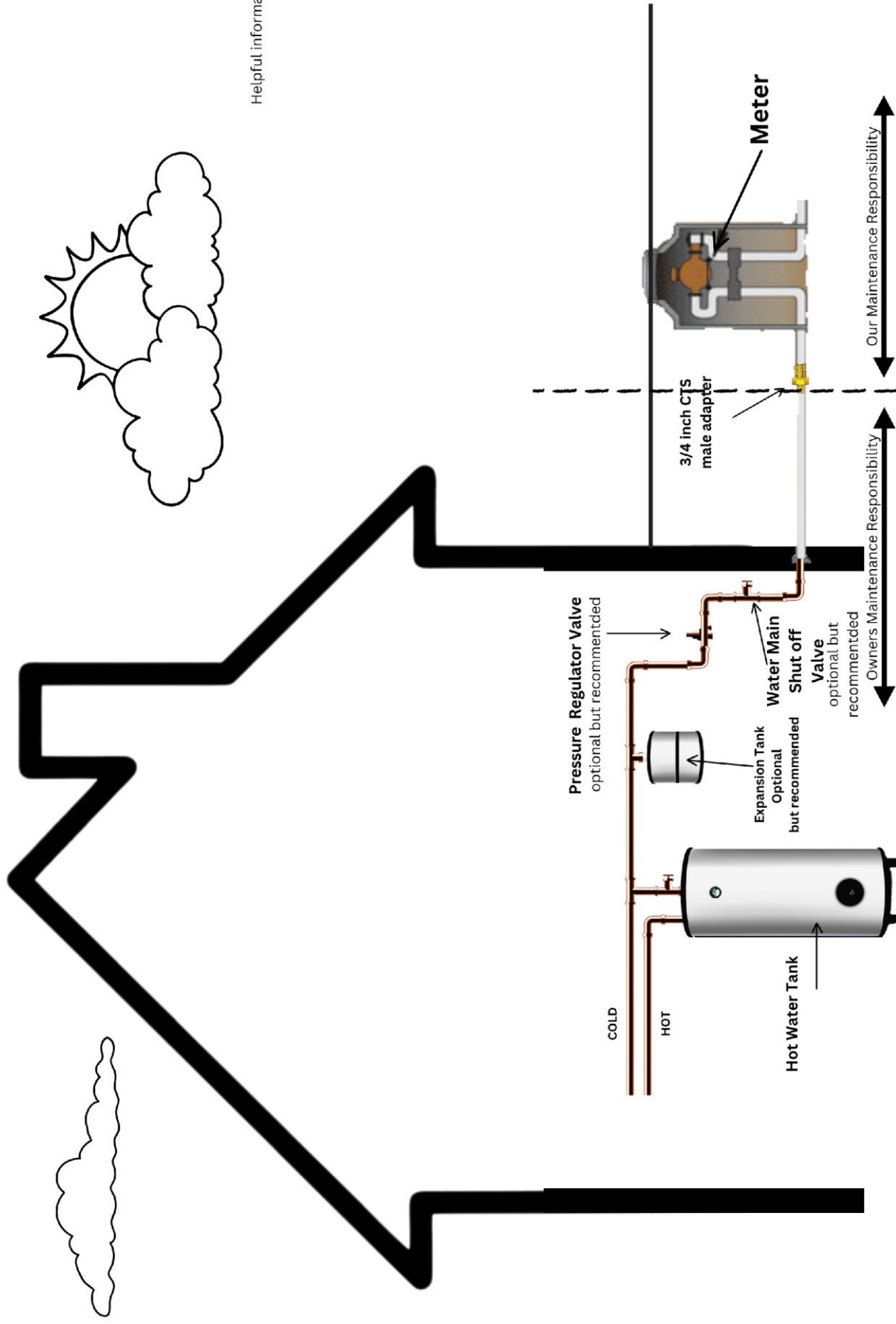
Required for Medium to High Hazard sites TCRW will make efforts to determine what degree of hazard a property is.

# TRI-COUNTY RURAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

Current Rates-Updated March 2009

## Residential

Usage Range (Gallons)	Rate 1,000 Gallon
0 - 4,000	\$41.50 minimum bill
4,001 - 6,000	\$4.86 per thousand
6,001 - 8,000	\$4.32 per thousand
8,001 - UP	\$3.78 per thousand



Helpful information