

LAKEHURST WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT
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FIRE HYDRANT USE POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District (“District”) to allow the use of Fire Hydrants within its service area pursuant to issuing a “*Fire Hydrant Meter Use Permit*”. Permits are available on-line at www.Lakehurstwater.org or at the District office. Permits will be issued for specific fire hydrants for an established length of time. The permit holder (“Permitee”) can only use water for permit-specified purposes such as construction, cleaning or pre-approved events. Use of the fire hydrant and meter shall be in accordance with this Policy and any other applicable District policies and operating procedures as amended from time to time. The Permitee shall be responsible for any and all damage to the fire hydrant and/or meter as a result of applicants use. Permitee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers and employees, from any and all claims, costs and expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorney’s fees that arise out of or are in any way connected with the Permitee’s use of the Districts’ fire hydrant and fire hydrant meter.

Hydrant water shall not be used for human or animal consumption or contact.

Permit Fees: Notwithstanding, any other provision contained in this Policy to the contrary, fire hydrant permit fees, including but not limited to any administrative service charge, use rate, or consumption charge, deposit, lost wrench charge, and meter and equipment rental charges are established by the Board of Directors and are subject to change from time to time. A current schedule of fees and charges may be obtained from the District Manager.

Permit Inspection: Employees of the District shall be allowed to inspect the hydrant and meter at any time a fire hydrant is in use. A copy of the issued permit shall be readily available and on-site for District review.

Cross Connection – Backflow Prevention: All connections to District hydrants must have an approved, testable, Reduced Pressure Principle (RP) back-flow prevention device provided by Permitee. Backflow prevention device must be acceptable to the District and Denver Water. It is the responsibility of the Permitee to verify that the backflow device has been tested and shall provide copy of test with Permit.

Revocation: The District reserves the right to not issue permits for use of fire hydrants for any reason. The permit may be revoked or cancelled at any time with or without cause or for reasons that include, but are not limited to:

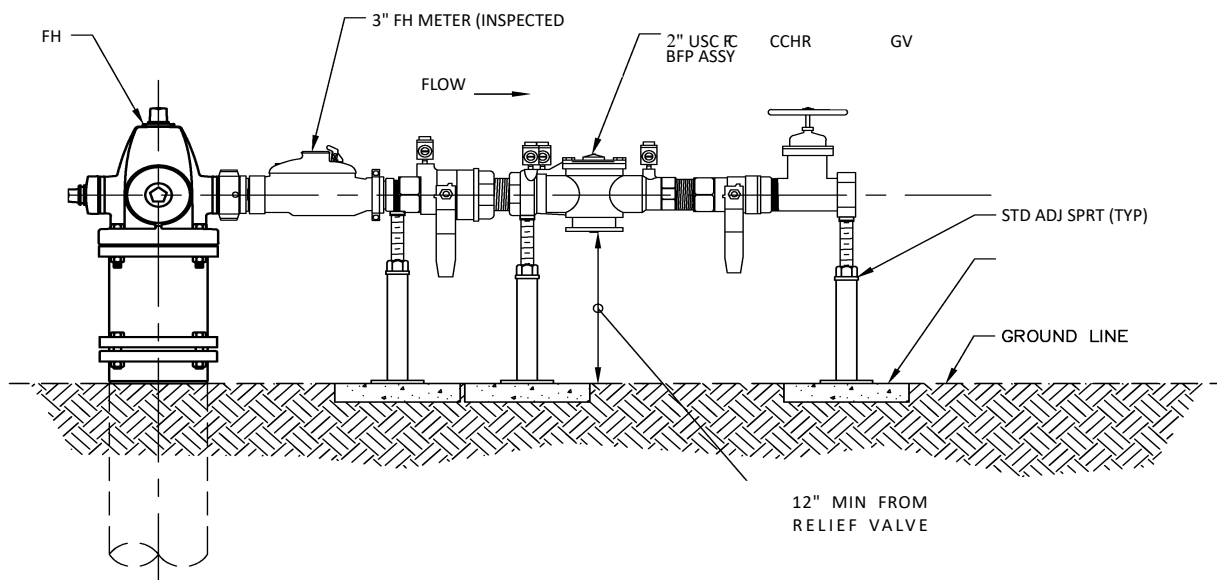
- Failure to remit payment to Lakehurst when due;
- Receiving numerous violations within the same permit year; and
- Any and all unauthorized use, misuse, theft or dishonesty involving hydrant water use.

Unauthorized Use: Except for water used for emergency purposes by authorized emergency service providers, any water withdrawn from District owned fire hydrants without a valid District fire hydrant use permit shall be deemed unauthorized use and subject to a fine of \$500.00 for the first offense, \$1,000.00 for the second, and \$2,500.00 for the third offense including a 90-day suspension of all active permits. All fines are established by the Board of Directors and are subject to change at any time without notice.

FIRE HYDRANT EQUIPMENT SET-UP AND USE

Hydrant Wrench: All District hydrants must be opened and operated with a proper hydrant wrench. The District will provide a hydrant wrench at no charge as long as the wrench is returned in good condition. If Permittee does not return wrench, a charge of \$25.00 will be assessed and deducted from the deposit amount.

Hydrant Meter Support: Permittee is responsible for supporting meter and backflow device at all times by means of adjustable support jacks as shown below. Support of meter assembly and backflow device in lieu of adjustable supports will need to be pre-approved in writing by Lakehurst.



FIRE HYDRANT FEES AND MONTHLY READINGS

Hydrant Meter Deposit: Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District requires all Permittees to use a District owned 3-inch water meter. **A deposit of \$2,000.00 will be required for all permits issued.** The deposit will be returned in full when the meter and appurtenances are returned in good working condition and without damage. If the meter or appurtenances, including hydrant are damaged, lost, or not returned, the deposit will be applied towards the cost of repairing or replacing the equipment. If the deposit is not sufficient to cover all damage, the Permittee will be billed for the balance. All costs for damage over and above the damage deposit will need to be paid in full before another permit will be issued.

Administrative Service Charge: **An administrative service charge of \$100.00 will be assessed per month for each meter.** This charge covers the cost of retrieving the monthly readings from the meter by District staff. The Permittee will be responsible for making sure the meter is readily available to collect readings.

Water Use and Charges: Water use will be billed at the Fire Hydrant Meter use rate as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended from time to time by the Board of Directors. **The current rate is \$12.16 per one thousand gallons.** All consumption charges must be paid to Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District on a monthly basis (within 30 days of invoice). The Permittee is responsible for all water consumption that passes thru the meter.

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FIRE HYDRANT METER USE PERMIT

Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District requires a **\$2,000.00** deposit on the loan of a meter and appurtenances which also includes the use of the fire hydrant. This deposit will be returned to you in full when the meter and appurtenances are returned and found in good condition and working order. If the meter or appurtenances, including hydrant are broken, lost or not returned, the \$2,000.00 will be applied toward the cost of repairing or replacing, as appropriate, the equipment and you will be billed for the balance.

A service charge will be assessed per month of \$100.00 for each three- inch meter. Water will be billed at the Fire Hydrant Meter Use Rate as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended from time to time. The current rate is \$12.16 per thousand gallons.

Use of the fire hydrant meter shall be in accordance with Lakehurst Water and Sanitation Rules and Regulations policy and operating procedures as amended from time to time. The applicant shall be responsible for any and all damage to the fire hydrant as a result of Applicants use.

Further, Permittee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers and employees, from any and all claims, costs and expense, including court cost and reasonable attorney's fee that arise out of or that are in any way connected with the Permittee's use of the Districts' fire hydrants and fire hydrant meter.

Remember to only use the proper hydrant wrench and flush hydrant before attaching meter.

All connections to fire hydrants must have an approved Reduced Pressure Principle (RP) back-flow prevention device acceptable to the District.

LOCATION OF HYDRANT: _____

PROJECT: _____

BILL TO:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____ **Phone** _____ **DEPOSIT** _____

CONTACT PERSON (please print) _____ **Phone** _____

Applicant Signature

Lakehurst Representative

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METER SERIAL NO: _____

PICK UP DATE _____ **BEGINNING MTR READ** _____

RETURN DATE _____ **ENDING MTR READ** _____

PRE HYDRANT INSPECTION _____ **POST HYDRANT INSPECTION** _____

PRE METER INSPECTION _____ **POST METER INSPECTION** _____