

WATER RULE 1

ADOPTION OF WATER RULES AND DEFINITIONS

The following Water Rules are effective within the water service area of the City of Riverside as approved by the Board of Public Utilities.

- A. All Water Rules herein set forth are subject at all times to change. Reasonable effort will be made to issue revised copies whenever any changes so require. Copies of the Water Rules in effect will be kept up-to-date and on file in the office of the Water Utility. Customers or others contemplating any expenditures or activities governed by these Water Rules should assure themselves that they have the latest correct information by visiting, telephoning or otherwise contacting the Water Utility.
- B. For the purpose of these Water Rules, the following terms shall be construed to have the following meanings:

ADEQUATE SUPPLY: That quantity of water required to satisfy maximum day and peak hour demands, including fire flow demands, for facility or development requesting water service.

APPLICANT: A person, persons, firm, association, government agency, corporation or other concern who indicates a desire to obtain water service from the Water Utility.

APPROVED BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY: An assembly currently listed by the "Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research" as having a Certificate of Approval.

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS GREENBELT AREA: The Arlington Heights Greenbelt is the area within the City Limits generally located southeasterly of Victoria Avenue, westerly of Washington Street and northeasterly of La Sierra Avenue. The exact boundaries are shown on map located in the City of Riverside Planning Department.

AUXILLARY WATER SYSTEM: Any water system or supply on or available to the Premises other than the Water Utility drinking water supply.

BACKFLOW PROGRAM ADMINSTRATOR: The designated individual(s) possessing current certification issued by the American Water Works Association as a Cross-Connection Control Specialist.

BACKFLOW PROTECTION: The installation of an approved backflow prevention assembly for the purpose of protection against the hazards of cross-connection.

BACKUP FACILITY CAPACITY CHARGE: A charge for water supply facilities including but not limited to, production, transmission, and storage facilities.

BASIC AREA: All that area within the City Limits of the City of Riverside and served by the City.

BATTERY: A metering installation consisting of two or more water meters operated in parallel as substitute for a single, larger water meter.

BOARD: Board of Public Utilities of the City of Riverside.

BUSINESS: Any lawful commercial endeavor to engage in the manufacturing, purchase, sale, lease or exchange of goods and/or the provision of services.

CITY: City of Riverside

COMMERCIAL ZONES: Areas designated by the City of Riverside Planning Department, including RO; P; CO; C-1; C-1-A, CL; C-2; C-3; C-4; R-3-R; R-3-40; R-3-30; R-3-20; R-3; and R-3-H.

CONTAMINATION: A degradation of the potable water supply by the introduction of any foreign substance that may result in the hazard to the public health through poisoning or spread of disease. A “high hazard” classification.

CROSS-CONNECTION: Any unprotected actual or potential link or connection between a potable water supply and any source or system containing an objectionable substance.

CUSTOMER: The person, persons, firm, association, governmental agency, corporation or other concerns who use, are entitled to use or benefit from the use of water from the Water Utility.

DATE OF PRESENTATION: The date upon which a bill or notice is mailed by the Water Utility to the customer.

DEGREE OF HAZARD: A condition derived from the evaluation within a water system. May be classified as “high hazard” or “low hazard”.

DIRECT CONNECTION: A cross-connection consisting of water piping tightly connected to a water system having a foreign substance (non-potable supply).

DIRECTOR: Director or General Manager of the Public Utilities Department of the City of Riverside or his designee.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FEE: A charge for facilities which comprise the distribution grid system including water mains, valves, fire hydrants and appurtenances which have been, or will be installed by or for the Water Utility.

DOMESTIC WATER SERVICE: Potable water service commonly referred to as Residential, Commercial, or Industrial, excluding Fire Protection Service and Irrigation Service.

ELEVATION FEE: A charge for facilities including but not limited to, the necessary booster pumping plants, and other necessary works to provide water service for properties above the Gravity Pressure Zone (area that is served by reservoirs with a high water line of 997 feet) which have been or will be installed by or for the Water Utility.

FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE: Water service utilized solely for fire suppression.

FRONTAGE: Those actual distances measured in feet, along parcel/lot lines which abut all adjacent public streets or City of Riverside easements.

GENERAL SERVICE: Water Service for Premises devoted primarily to Business activities.

GRAVITY PRESSURE ZONE: Area that is served by reservoirs with a high water line of 997 feet.

INDIRECT CONNECTION: A cross-connection consisting of piping used to fill an open receptacle with water.

INDUSTRIAL ZONES: Areas designated by the City of Riverside Planning Department, including YS; MP; M-1, M-2, WC; RWY; and AIR.

INFILL: Those single family residential parcels identified and defined in the Residential Infill Strategy, when and as adopted by the City Council.

INTERIM WATER SERVICE: Temporary water service for commercial agricultural uses with a maximum two-year period.

IRRIGATION WATER SERVICE: Water service utilized solely for commercial agriculture or landscape enterprises.

MULTI-FAMILY DWELLING UNIT: A building, or portion thereof, designed for occupancy by two or more families living independently of each other and containing two or more dwelling units.

OFF-SITE: Those water mains and appurtenances necessary to connect on-site tract or individual facilities to the existing distribution system where adequate capacity is available to meet the requirement of the new service, and water mains and appurtenances along any remaining frontage.

ON-SITE: Those water mains and appurtenances within the boundary of tract maps, parcel maps or developments to provide for the requirements of new water service. (Subdivisions, Shopping Centers, Industrial Parks, Lots, etc.).

PERSON: Any individual, partnership, corporation, public agency or other organization operating as a single entity.

POTABLE WATER: Water that has been reviewed and approved for human consumption by the State Health Department.

PREMISES: All real property, buildings and appurtenances upon an integral parcel of land undivided by a street, highway or other public thoroughfare.

PROGRAM SPECIALIST: The designated individual(s) possessing current certification issued by the American Water Works Association for a Cross-Connection Control Specialist.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE: Water Service supplying Potable Water to Single-Family Dwelling Units and Multi-Family Dwelling Units for domestic purposes.

RESIDENTIAL ZONES: Areas designated by the City of Riverside Planning Department, including: HR; RA; RA-2; RA-5; RC; RC-2; RC-5; R-R; R-1-130; R-1-125; R-1-100; R-1-80; R-1-65; and R-2.

SERVICE PROTECTION: An approved backflow prevention assembly installed on the customer side of the service connection to protect the Water Utility public water supply.

SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING UNIT: A dwelling designed for occupancy by one family and located on one lot delineated by front, side and rear lot lines.

SURCHARGE AREA: Those areas outside the City limits, but within the service area of the Water Utility.

TITLE 17: That portion of California state law, the California Code of Regulations, addressing "Drinking Water Supplies".

UTILITY: The City of Riverside, Public Utilities Department.

WATER SERVICE CONNECTION (WATER SERVICE LATERAL): The pipeline lateral extending from the Water Utility's water main, to and including the water meter, together with the necessary valves, fittings and water meter vault.

WATER UTILITY: The City of Riverside, Public Utilities Department, Water Division.