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PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

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APPLICABILITY

This schedule applies to all fire protection services for governmental and privately-owned properties receiving service for on-site fire sprinklers, stand pipes, fire hydrants, or any other fire protection system not owned and maintained by Cal Water but connected to the water system for fire protection purposes only. (This tariff is not related to the "fire sprinkler" discount for which certain single-family residences with indoor fire sprinklers may qualify under a residential or general metered service tariff.)

TERRITORY

All tariffed service areas of California Water Service Company except Grand Oaks.

RATES

Per Month

For each inch of diameter of service connection

\$8.50

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All bills are subject to the reimbursement fee set forth on Schedule UF.
2. The customer will pay, without refund, the entire cost of the private fire service facilities.
3. The private fire service facilities shall be installed by the utility or under the utility's direction and shall be the sole property of the applicant but subject to the control of the utility, with the right to alter, repair, replace and the right to remove upon discontinuance of service.
4. The maximum diameter shall not be larger than the diameter of the water main to which the private fire service facilities are connected.
5. If a water main of adequate size is not available adjacent to the premises to be served, then a new main from the nearest existing main of adequate size will be installed by the utility at the cost of the customer. Such cost shall not be subject to refund.
6. The private fire service facilities will include a detector check valve or other similar device acceptable to the utility which will indicate the use of water. The facilities may be located within the customer's premises or within public rights of way adjacent thereto. Where located within the premises, the utility and its duly authorized agents shall have the right of ingress to and egress from the premises for all purposes related to said facilities. In the event the installation is solely for a private fire hydrant facility, the requirement for a detector check valve or other similar device may be waived.

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7. The customer will be responsible for any damage to the private fire service facilities whether resulting from the use or operation of appliances and facilities on customers' premises or otherwise. No structure should be built over the private fire service facilities and the customer shall maintain and safeguard the area occupied by the private fire service facilities from traffic or other hazardous conditions.
8. Subject to the approval of the utility, any change in the location or construction of the private fire service facilities as may be requested by public authority or the customer will be made by the utility following payment to the utility of the entire cost of such change.
9. The customer's installation must be such as to separate effectively the private fire service facilities from that of the customer's regular domestic water service. Any unauthorized use of water from the private fire service facilities will be charged for at the applicable tariff rates and may be grounds for the utility's discontinuing private fire service without liability to the utility.
10. There shall be no cross connection between the private fire service facilities and any other source of supply without the specific approval of the utility. The specific approval, if given, will at least require at the customer's expense a special double check valve installation or other backflow prevention device acceptable to the utility. Any cross-connection may be grounds for immediately discontinuing private fire service without liability to the utility.
11. The utility will supply only such water at such pressure as may be available from time to time as a result of its normal operation of the system. The customer shall indemnify the utility and save it harmless against any and all claims arising against the utility for any loss or damage resulting from service under this schedule. Section 774 of the Public Utilities Commission Code limits the liability of the utility resulting from a claim regarding adequacy of pressure or supply for fire protection service.
12. The customer shall be responsible for the periodic testing of any backflow prevention devices as required by public authority or the utility. Any repair or replacement of such devices or of any other facilities installed to provide private fire service shall be done at the customer's expense. Any refusal to comply with the above requirements may be grounds for the utility's discontinuing private fire service without liability to the utility.

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