

Regulation No. 1

Definitions

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1. Adequate and Reserve Capacity

The amount of capacity in District water mains sufficient to supply potable and all other types of water service to an Applicant's Parcel in accordance with the velocity and pipe size specifications set forth in Regulation 9, Sections N and O.

2. Administration Cost

A charge that is assessed to accounts to pay certain costs of providing special District services, for example large landscape irrigation agreements, wholesale water contracts, and duplicate billing to tenants.

3. Agent

A person or company designated by the Landowner to manage a property or to act on behalf of a Customer.

4. Applicant

A person or entity that files an application for services with the District.

5. Application for Water Service

A formal, written application requesting water service from Sacramento Suburban Water District to a specific Premises, in a form provided by the District, together with such plans, specifications, and payment of all fees that the District's then-applicable Regulations shall require.

6. Auxiliary Water Supply

Any water supply on or available to a Premises other than water supplied by the District.

7. AWWA

American Water Works Association, a national association of water purveyors.

8. Backflow

The reverse flow of water or any other fluid or substance or any combination or mixture thereof from a Customer's System into the District's water system caused by Cross-Connection with Auxiliary Water Supplies or with sources of possible contaminated water.

9. Backflow Prevention Device

Equipment used to protect the District's water system against actual or potential Backflow. All Backflow Prevention Devices installed within the District shall comply with state and local laws and regulations, including District regulations.

10. Backflow Specialist

A person certified by the State of California to inspect Premises for potential Cross-Connection.

11. Certified Tester

A person who is certified as a Backflow Prevention Assembly General Tester by Sacramento County or other agency having jurisdictional authority.

12. Change of Ownership

The transfer of legal title to a Parcel of real property to which the District provides water service from the legal owner to another party, notification of which must be made to the District by the transferor or the transferee.

13. Check Valve Assembly

A mechanical device installed on either a main line or service line to restrict the flow of water in one direction only.

14. Claim of Lien

Written notice of a delinquent, unpaid sum of money owing to the District by any Water User recorded by the District in the official records of Sacramento County, and which becomes a debt secured by the Parcel that incurred the delinquent charge for services provided by the District.

15. Contract

A written agreement between the District and a second party that defines and creates one or more obligations to take or to refrain from taking a certain action or actions.

16. **Control Valve**
A device used to control the flow of water.
17. **Collectors Authorized by District**
A designated District employee or agency authorized by the District General Manager to collect monies for services provided by the District.
18. **Cross-Connection**
Any connection or link between District's water distribution system and an Auxiliary Water Supply, piping system, plumbing fixture, appliance, container, receptacle, vessel or other device of any nature that may permit contaminated or used water or other fluid which is of questionable or unsafe quality, or any other substance of any nature other than the potable water supplied by District, to enter any part of the District's water distribution system.
19. **Cross-Connection Control Representative**
A Certified Tester or Backflow Specialist authorized by the District to administer the Cross-Connection Control and Backflow Program.
20. **Curb Stop**
A District Control Valve used to control water to a Service Connection.
21. **Customer**
Any Water User who pays a water bill to the District.
22. **Customer's System**
Non-Responsible Facilities located and attached to the outlet side of the Point of Responsibility.
23. **District**
The Sacramento Suburban Water District.
24. **District Board of Directors**
The governing body of the District composed of five Directors elected by divisions of voters residing within the District's boundaries.

25. District Water System

The water transmission and distribution system owned and operated by the District, including all piping, fittings, valves and other equipment used to supply water to Customers up to and including the Point of Responsibility.

26. Existing Non-Metered Water Service

Services installed on single-family residences prior to April 2, 1991 that do not include a Meter and which are billed on a flat rate. Also known as “flat rate service.”

27. Extension Facilities

Mainline extension or plumbing equipment of whatever type installed for the purpose of improving existing District water service and/or extending it to unserved or annexed areas.

28. Facilities Development Charge

A charge imposed by the District to cover a portion of the District’s costs incurred for installing wells, pumps, and treatment, storage and transmission facilities to serve increased demand for water service within the District.

29. Facilities Development Fund

Eighty percent of the fees received from Facilities Development Charges are placed in this fund to offset District costs for infrastructure necessary to meet requirements of the District Master Plan or to serve new development.

30. Facilities Reimbursement Fund

Twenty percent of the fees received from Facilities Development Charges are placed in the fund to reimburse Applicants that upsize Extension Facilities as required by the District to meet planning requirements for future development and redevelopment as related to Master Plan requirements.

31. Final Approval

The District’s written certification that installed water facilities are in compliance with all regulations, plans and specifications, that all plans and supporting documents have been delivered to the District as its property, that all documents have been approved by the District, and that all required fees have been paid, as evidenced by a District form dated and signed by the District General Manager or his/her designated representative.

32. Furnish Only Materials

Meters and related materials supplied by the District and required to be installed by an Applicant at its cost, which are supplied to an Applicant upon payment of furnish-only fees established by the District.

33. Inactive Account

An account applicable to a Parcel with an existing service connection to which the District is not currently supplying water service and for which water service bill is not being rendered.

34. Intertie

A connection from the District's water system to another water purveyor's system to supply water for emergency, standby or permanent supply purposes.

35. ISO (Insurance Services Office) Fire Suppression Standards

Fire demand pipe size requirements specified by the fire suppression rating schedule published by the ISO, Edition 6.80, or most current edition.

36. LAFCo (Local Agency Formation Commission)

A state-mandated, quasi-judicial, countywide commission responsible for approving boundary changes for, and the consolidation or reorganization of, local public agencies, including the District.

37. Landowner

A person who possesses a fee interest in a Parcel located within the District's boundaries.

38. Meter

A device capable of measuring a quantity of water delivered by the District to a Service Connection.

39. Metered Rates

Water service fees and charges that are calculated from monthly consumption measured by a Meter attached to a Service Connection serving any Water User within the District.

40. Meter Setters

A prefabricated copper device constructed to house a water Meter with valves on the inlet and outlet side of the device.

41. New Service

A metered water service provided to a Parcel not previously served by the District or a reactivation of an installed service that desires to reconnect to the District Water System.

42. Non-Responsible Facilities

Water service facilities that the District does not own and for which it is not responsible to install, operate, use, repair, maintain or replace. Non-Responsible Facilities include all privately owned and maintained Service Connections located on any Parcel beyond the Point of Responsibility.

43. Parcel

Any piece of real property within the District defined on a parcel or subdivision map or designated by any other legal means, and to which the Sacramento County Assessor has or will assign an assessor's parcel number.

44. Plan approval

The District's services related to approval of an Applicant's final plans for an improved Parcel, as evidenced by the date and signature of an authorized District representative on the final plans.

45. Planters

All non-lawn and non-turf portions of landscape areas located on a Parcel, excluding hard surfaces.

46. Point of Responsibility

a. Metered Service: The connection point of the Customer's System at the outlet side of the Meter Setter where a Landowner's responsibility for all conditions, maintenance, repairs, use and replacement of water service facilities begins, and the District's responsibility ends.

b. Non-Metered Service: The connection point of the Customer's System at the outlet side of either a Curb Stop or an unmetered Meter Setter where a Landowner's responsibility for all conditions, maintenance, repairs, use and replacement of water service facilities begins, and the District's responsibility ends.

c. Private Fire Service: The connection point at the District's main shut-off valve connecting the District's water main and the inlet side of the Private Fire Service facilities where a Landowner's responsibility for all conditions, maintenance,

repairs, use and replacement of water service facilities begins, and the District's responsibility ends.

47. Point of Service

- a. Private Fire Hydrants: The District's Point of Service begins at the District's main shut-off valve located at the District's supply water main.
- b. Private System: The District's Point of Service begins at the District's main shut-off valve located at the District's supply water main.

48. Premises

A Parcel together with all buildings and appurtenances located thereon.

49. Principal Boundary

All boundaries of an Applicant's Parcel that abut one or more public rights-of-way.

50. Private System

Non-Responsible Facilities utilized by a Landowner solely for private use on a Parcel. Private use can be, but is not limited to, fire suppression in the form of fire sprinklers or fire hydrants. Private systems shall be separated from a public system by an approved backflow device.

51. Residential Flat Rates

Non-Metered water service fees and charges that are calculated according to estimated water consumption, size of service line and the size of the Parcel per the Sacramento County Tax Assessor's parcel maps.

52. Service Connection

The water piping system connecting a Customer's System with a District water main beginning at the outlet side of the Point of Responsibility, including all plumbing and equipment located on a Parcel required for the District's provision of water service to that Parcel.

53. Service Valve

The equipment located at the inlet side of the Point of Responsibility by which the District controls service to a Parcel.

54. Residential Parcels

- a. **Single Family Residence:** An improved Parcel used as a place of residence by one family unit or group.
- b. **Duplex:** An improved Parcel containing two residences each containing a family unit or group.
- c. **4-Plex:** An improved Parcel containing four residences each containing a family unit or group.

55. **Standard Specifications and Plans**

The District's specific requirements for water service plumbing, facilities, and equipment, and the document entitled District's Improvement Standards and Specifications, detailed drawings approved by the Board of Directors and all subsequent amendments or replacements to any such requirements or documents.

56. **Standby Charges**

A charge for service to a Parcel for emergency water that may be utilized on an as-needed basis by a Landowner.

57. **Surcharges**

A limited-term, specific purpose charge assessed to all or to a class of Customers to repay certain costs incurred by the District, such as bond indebtedness issued to finance District capital projects.

58. **Tenant**

A person or entity leasing or renting a Parcel or Premises from a Landowner.

59. **Unimproved Property**

A Parcel that has not been improved.

60. **Up-Sized Lines**

Mainline facilities having capacity in excess of that necessary to supply existing water demand to a specific area, Parcel or Parcels with an Adequate and Reserve Capacity of water, but which are deemed necessary by the District to provide an adequate future water supply to the area, Parcel or Parcels. The District will bear the cost of Up-Sized Lines.

61. **Water User**

Any person or entity, whether or not a Landowner or Customer, to which the District supplies water.