



HYDRANT METER PERMIT APPLICATION

FOR THE UNHOUSED, UNSHELTERED, OR THOSE SUFFERING HOMELESSNESS

HYDRANT METER ACCOUNT CHARGES (effective July 1, 2026)

DEPOSIT

Due at time of pick-up.
Deposits for hydrant meters are held for the duration of the account.
3-inch meter - \$1,859.00

ACCOUNT ESTABLISHMENT FEE

Non-refundable fee for new accounts - \$165.00

ACCOUNT RENEWAL FEE

Non-refundable annual fee - \$165.00

TWO-MONTH BILLING

Bi-monthly Service Charge - \$537.06

FLOW CHARGE

All use - \$9.07 per 100 cubic feet (748 gallons)

HYDRANT METER SITE VISIT CHARGE

The charge for a Field Services Representative to conduct a hydrant meter site visit to perform special services including but not limited to: reading hydrant meters for which the two-month reading was not submitted by the customer; retrieving hydrant meter equipment from a customer site; delivering hydrant meter equipment to a customer; or establishing or renewing a hydrant meter account in the field.

EBMUD site visit - \$330.00

EQUIPMENT RETURN

Hydrant spanner wrench not returned - \$33.33
Hydrant adapter damaged or not returned - \$177.20
Spanner and adapter charges subject to change without notice/
charges are based on actual costs.

When a hydrant meter is returned, the meter is forwarded to EBMUD's Meter Shop to determine if there are any damages. The Meter Shop also checks for internal damages, particularly to the backflow device.

Additional charges will be assessed for any such damages and will be charged to the account.

PICKUP/DROPOFF INFORMATION

CONTACT 1-866-403-2683

HOURS Mon, Wed & Fri 9am–noon & 1:30pm–3:30pm

LOCATION 1100 21st Street, Oakland



GETTING HERE

Hydrant meter customers can access the Adeline Maintenance Center from the security gate on 21st Street (see map above).

When you approach the gate, a security guard will authorize entry to the parking lot.

Customer Services staff will be available to assist you at the counter located in the entry area on the First Floor of the building.



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

COMPANY NAME			
MAILING ADDRESS			PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
CITY	STATE	ZIP	PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
STREET ADDRESS (Business location if mailing address is a P.O. Box)			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	TIN#

PRIMARY RESPONSIBLE PARTY

FIRST AND LAST NAME			
TITLE			
ADDRESS			PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
CITY	STATE	ZIP	DRIVER'S LICENSE Nº
EMAIL			DRIVER'S LICENSE EXP

ADDITIONAL CONTACT #1

These persons may be contacted if a situation arises with the hydrant meter.
Examples: on site representative, secretary, support staff

FIRST AND LAST NAME			
COMPANY/TITLE			
ADDRESS			PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
CITY	STATE	ZIP	PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
EMAIL			

ADDITIONAL CONTACT #2

FIRST AND LAST NAME			
COMPANY/TITLE			
ADDRESS			PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
CITY	STATE	ZIP	PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
EMAIL			

LIST OF TYPICAL USES

Applicants are required to state their use(s) for the hydrant meter.

☐ Sanitary	☐ Other
☐ Consumption	_____
☐ Landscaping	
☐ Dust control	
☐ Fire Supression	
☐ Pest control	

HYDRANT METER INFORMATION - EBMUD USE ONLY

DATE		ACCOUNT Nº	
☐ On ☐ Off ☐ Exchange ☐ Hydrant spanner ☐ 1" adapter ☐ Trip charge			
NEW HYDRANT METER Nº (if exchange)		HYDRANT METER Nº	
SIZE	MAKE	SIZE	MAKE
READING		READING	
DEPOSIT AMT	☐ Renewal fee charged?	PERMIT EXPIRATION DATE	
ACCOUNT TYPE ☐ Public agency ☐ Hard plumbed ☐ All others			
EBMUD REPRESENTATIVE			

JOB SITE / PROJECT INFORMATION

INTENDED METER LOCATION	JOB SITE PHONE
INTENDED WATER USE(S) Refer to the list of typical uses on the bottom of this form.	

TAMPERING NOTICE

IT IS A MISDEMEANOR TO TAMPER WITH THIS METER

Any person who tampers with this meter may be prosecuted under Penal Code Section 498.

California Penal Code Section 498 (B) provides that any person who with intent to obtain utility services without paying the full lawful charge thereof, diverts or causes to be diverted utility services by any means whatsoever; prevents any utility meter from accurately performing its measuring function; tampers with any District property to provide utility services; makes or causes to be made any connection with or reconnection with District property to provide utility services without District authorization; or uses or receives the direct benefit of utility services with reason to believe that diversion, tampering, or unauthorized connection existed at time of use is guilty of a misdemeanor.

HYDRANT METER RECEIVED BY

FIRST AND LAST NAME			
COMPANY/TITLE			PHONE ☐ W ☐ C
ADDRESS			DRIVER'S LICENSE Nº
CITY	STATE	ZIP	DRIVER'S LICENSE EXP
Photocopy of COMPANY OFFICER/PRIMARY RESPONSIBLE PARTY's D/L submitted? ☐			
SIGNATURE			DATE

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPLICATION GUIDELINES

☐ I have received, read and agree with the application guidelines printed on the back of this application.	
FIRST AND LAST NAME	
SIGNATURE	DATE

Return hydrant meter to:

EBMUD 1100 21st Street, Oakland **Contact:** 1-866-403-2683 **Hours:** Mon, Wed, & Fri 9am–noon & 1:30pm – 3:30pm



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APPLICATION GUIDELINES – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Temporary water service may be provided through a public fire hydrant if the District determines that the requested use satisfies the criteria set forth below and that the location of the service desired and the duration of use makes the installation of a standard or temporary construction service impractical.

REVOCABLE PERMIT

Applicants for a District hydrant meter acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions listed below. **Failure to follow these terms and conditions will be cause for immediate forfeiture of the hydrant meter.** The District makes the final decision on appropriate hydrant meter uses. Hydrant meter customers acknowledge that the District may cancel any hydrant meter permit, regardless of the nature of its use, with one month's notice. Hydrant meter water rates, charges and deposits are subject to change. Issuance of a hydrant meter permit does not create any vested right on the part of the permit holder. Under no circumstances shall this permit constitute a license to connect to EBMUD's water system.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING USE OF HYDRANT METERS

Hydrant meters are intended for temporary purposes, and for other temporary uses as determined and approved by the District, where the location of the site or the duration of specific work, makes the installation of a standard water service impractical. Examples would be dust control or **temporary** water service for sanitation for those unhoused, unsheltered, or suffering homelessness. Hydrant meters cannot be hard plumbed and must be removed from the hydrant when not in use. EBMUD reviews each application individually and reserves the right to deny a hydrant meter where the intended use appears contrary to the intent of the program.

WATER RESALE

Water obtained from a hydrant meter cannot be resold for any purpose or used for domestic residential consumption.

WHERE HYDRANT METERS CAN BE USED

Hydrant meters are authorized for use within the District's service area. Hydrant meters may not be used on hydrants of other water utilities. Water delivered through a District hydrant meter may not be used or transported outside the District's service area.

WATER TRUCKS

Hydrant meters may be used to fill up a water truck for uses such as dust control, landscaping or pest control. This allows the water truck to be filled at remote locations and eliminates the need to return to a customer's place of business to refill. Use of hydrant meters to fill water trucks or other means of conveyance is not allowed where the intended use of water is for domestic use. Water trucks are not authorized to transport or use District water outside the District's service area.

WATER SERVICE RATES

The charge for water service through a public fire hydrant will be as set forth in the District's Schedule of Rates and Charges except that when service is in effect for less than one month, the customer will be charged the applicable service charge for one full month in addition to the charge for water consumed.

IMPROPER EQUIPMENT USE

Improper use of a hydrant meter can harm the hydrant meter or the fire hydrant. Only District approved spanners and meters will be used on public fire hydrants. **Meter damages are determined by the EBMUD Meter Shop.** The applicant will be responsible for any damage to District equipment or to other District customer facilities resulting from the improper operation of a public fire hydrant. The applicant may be responsible for damage to the hydrant or other appurtenances.

SERVICE THROUGH PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS

District regulations, Section 7, prohibit operating or drawing water from a public fire hydrant without a duly authorized permit issued by the District. No permit shall be issued, and no services provided through a public fire hydrant shall be used, in any of the following circumstances:

- To supply water outside of the District service area.
- To supply water for domestic consumption or to supplement a domestic water supply, except as solely determined by the District to allow for the provision of water by individuals who are unhoused, unsheltered, or experiencing homelessness.
- For any use other than the use(s) specified in the permit.
- For any period that extends beyond completion of the project for which the permit was issued or that extends beyond one year from the date of issuance of the permit, whichever occurs earlier.
- For any use that is not temporary.
- Where the location of the site and the duration of use is suitable for installation of a standard service as determined by the District (e.g., a shelter for the unhoused).
- Any use where the hydrant meter will flow continuously or where access to the hydrant for fire-flow protection is impeded.

PERMIT TERMINATION AND REVOCATION

Hydrant permits expire no later than one year from the date of issuance and permittees are required to promptly return hydrant meters to the District upon expiration, provided however, that extended permits may be issued to public agencies for public purposes. Application for permit renewal may be made to the District if there is a continuing temporary need for the hydrant meter. Any hydrant meter which is not timely returned to the District may be removed by the District with or without notice.

All hydrant meter permits issued by the District are subject to the conditions in effect at the time of issuance or thereafter adopted as an amendment to the water service regulations. Hydrant meter permits are revocable and permits may be revoked immediately, without notice, due to nonpayment, tampering with the meter or backflow protection, or where the use violates any provision of this Section, or where access to the hydrant for routine or emergency fire protection purposes is impeded. Hydrant meter uses may also be suspended by the District during periods of water shortage. No hydrant meter permit, irrespective of its duration, shall be construed to constitute an irrevocable license to use or draw water through the hydrant meter or to connect to the EBMUD water system.

The District may take whatever action is necessary and appropriate to recover a hydrant meter which is used in a manner that does not comport with these regulations.

DISTRICT DETERMINATION

If the District determines a fire hydrant shall not be utilized for the purposes of providing temporary water service to those unsheltered, unhoused or suffering homelessness, the determination shall be final.

BACKFLOW PROTECTION

The District has sole determination that an additional backflow prevention assembly/device may be required prior to approval for utilization of hydrant meter. The applicant will be solely responsible for maintenance, testing, certification, repairs, flushing, or any other potential need of backflow prevention assembly/device, which may be a requirement for service.

WATER QUALITY

Applicant is responsible for treating, conveying, and making safe any water utilized through a hydrant meter. Any water utilized for sanitation, cooking, or human consumption is solely dependent on applicant for safety, health, and water quality. The District is not responsible, liable, or required to ensure water quality from hydrant meter.

LEGAL & REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

Applicant is responsible for obtaining all necessary permits and complying with all legal requirements pertaining to applicant's provision of water for human consumption, including but not limited to the requirements set forth in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations.

INDEMNITY

Applicant expressly agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the District and its directors, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all loss, liability, expense, claims, suits, and damages, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from applicants', its associates', employees', subconsultants', or other agents' negligent acts, errors or omissions, or willful misconduct, in the operation and/or performance under this permit.

Where applicable by law, the duty to indemnify, including the cost to defend is limited in accordance with California Civil Code § 2782.8.

RELEASE

Applicant hereby voluntarily releases, discharges, waives, and covenants not to sue the District, its directors, officers, agents, and employees (RELEASEES) for any and all harm, loss, liability, expense, claims, action, suits, and damages, including attorney's fees, arising out of, or pertaining to, or relating to or resulting from applicant's operation and/or performance under this permit.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Applicant is aware of the risks inherent in their operation and/or performance under this agreement, including but not limited to the risks associated with providing water for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes. Applicant voluntarily accepts all such risks.

HYDRANT UTILIZATION

The Hydrant meter shall not be utilized continuously or for a period of 24 consecutive hours. Hydrant meters shall be removed from hydrant and stored safely while hydrant is not in use. Hydrant meter may need flushing between connection periods, the applicant is solely responsible for water utilized through hydrant.

POLLUTION PREVENTION PERMIT

Domestic use may require issuance of a Pollution Prevention Permit in accordance with EBMUD's Wastewater Control Ordinance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Applicant has read this permit and understands it contains a release and waiver of all claims. Applicant further understands that it assumes all risks inherent in its performance and/or operation under this permit, including but not limited to all risks associated with providing water for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes. By executing this permit, applicant voluntarily accepts all of the provisions.