

Agreement for a Temporary Water Service (Connection to a Fire Hydrant)



Standard Option

ECUA personnel will install a 3-inch fire hydrant meter and backflow device on the fire hydrant closest to the site as requested by the customer. The customer or a representative must be present when the hydrant meter is installed in order to receive instructions on the proper care and operation of the hydrant and the hydrant meter assembly. The customer is responsible for securing the meter to avoid damage or theft.

Long Term (Multiple Location) Option

This option is available only with approval from the Regional Services department. Approval will be based on the need demonstrated by the customer to frequently relocate the meter to different locations as part of their normal business process. ECUA may refuse this option if the customer has failed to meet the requirements of this agreement in the past.

The customer will be issued a hydrant meter with a backflow preventer and given instructions for installation of the meter assembly and the proper care and operation of the hydrant and the meter assembly. The meter assembly can be installed on any fire hydrant owned by ECUA unless the installation interferes with other operations. The customer must bring the meter to the ECUA Meter Shop located in Ellyson Field Industrial Park on a quarterly basis for maintenance. ECUA will exchange the meter for a meter that has been tested and calibrated. If the customer makes an appointment to exchange the meter, then the time required for the exchange will be minimal. Please, contact the meter shop by email at ECUAMeterShop@ecua.fl.gov or call (850) 969-6663. If the customer fails to bring the meter in for the quarterly maintenance, then ECUA will retain the customer's deposit and the customer will be charged the difference between the deposit and the current replacement cost of a hydrant meter assembly.

Lost, Stolen, or Damaged Hydrant Meter Assembly

If the hydrant meter assembly (including the backflow preventer) is lost, stolen, or irreparably damaged, then ECUA will retain the deposit made by the customer and the customer will be charged the difference between the deposit and the current replacement cost of a hydrant meter assembly. The customer will be required to submit another deposit for a new hydrant meter. If the hydrant meter assembly is damaged, the customer will be charged for the labor and materials required to repair it.

Fees and Charges

Initial Deposit and Fees: A meter deposit of \$1,080.50, installation fee of \$38.75 and a backflow prevention fee of \$10.00 are required prior to installation. The customer will be required to submit another deposit for additional hydrant meter(s) requested.

Usage Rates and Charges: Charges for water usage are based on the **current minimum monthly charge** for a 3” meter, plus a volume charge per thousand gallons and the Capital Improvement Fee for a 3” meter. The charges are as follows: **(These are the current rates, which are subject to change from time to time, based on ECUA Board Action.)**

	<u>Mainland</u>	<u>Pensacola Beach</u>
Minimum Monthly for 3 Inch Meter	\$196.33 (no usage)	\$366.14 Includes (0-50,000 Gallons)
Charge per 1,000 Gallons	3.12	5.54
Capital Improvement Fee	100.00	100.00

Current cost of a hydrant meter replacement: \$2,875.00 (as of 01/18/2024)

Repair: If the meter is damaged and can be repaired, then the customer will be charged for the labor and materials required to repair the assembly. An itemized invoice will be provided.

Meter Readings

Readings must be submitted by the last working day of each month to: billing@ecua.fl.gov. The customer must attach a picture of the meter register to the email.

I _____ agree to the terms and conditions stated above and understand that the deposit will be forfeited if the meter is not returned to ECUA. This will apply to any current as well as future applications for a fire hydrant meter. A request to terminate or relocate the temporary water service must be made to ECUA Customer Service by contacting 850-476-0480. This excludes customers that opt to rent the meter on temporary basis

_____ Or _____
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Customer Signature / Contact Phone # Date

Customer Name (Print) Email Address

Regional Services Representative Signature

Date

(Only Required for Long Term Option – Signature Indicates Approval)

CSR Signature

Date

Customer's CID

LID

Updated Rate October 1, 2019
Updated Rate 10/1/2012
Revised October 1, 2013
Revised October 1, 2014
Revised October 1, 2015
Updated Rate October 1, 2016
Updated Rate October 1, 2017
Revised October 20, 2017
Revised January 11, 2018
Updated Rate October 1, 2018
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Updated Rate October 1, 2021
Updated Rate October 1, 2022
Updated Rate October 1, 2023
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