



Title: Temporary Water Connection	Internal/ External
Department: Public Works and Engineering	Policy Number: PWE- 012
Approval Date: July 22, 2014	Implementation Date: July 22, 2014

BACKGROUND

This policy is to be followed in correlation with the “Hydrant Use Policy- PWE 001” and was adopted by Council on July 22, 2014 M14-273.

PURPOSE

To state the criteria related to safe and responsible use of temporary water connections.

DEFINITIONS

‘Temporary Service’ refers to any water and/or sewer service to a property that does not have services to Town standards along the frontage of that property

POLICY STATEMENT

Once a temporary water connection has been established let it be understood that the water is **not** for consumption. The Town will not be held responsible for any illness that occurs as a result of consumption of the water. Further, any damages or repairs that occur during the duration of temporary service are to be borne by the applicant. Last, the fire department is to be notified of any and all temporary hydrant connections.

GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

1. **Application:** As per the Hydrant Use Policy, all residents wishing to utilize a hydrant shall make an application to the Town. The Department of Health will then test the water to ensure that it is in fact unfit for use. As per the Hydrant Use Policy the hydrant shall only be operated by Town personnel.
2. **Water Use:** the temporary connection is intended for all basic necessities **other than drinkable water**. There are water quality issues which result from the connection as a temporary piping can’t be quality tested for sufficient chlorination. The Town will not be

held responsible for illness that occurs as a result of consumption of the temporary water connection.

Use of water for other purposes (car washing, filling pools etc.) will result in removal of service and forfeiting of security deposit.

3. Time frame for temporary connection: Temporary connection will only be provided between May 01st and November 01st of the calendar year for a maximum period of six (6) weeks to allow the homeowner to undertake repairs to their existing system. Temporary water connections will not be approved on a consecutive annual basis.
4. Vandalism: Any costs associated with vandalism or damage to the pipe and fittings, including labour costs shall be borne by the applicant.
5. Security Deposit: A \$500.00 deposit is required for all temporary water connections. This deposit will be refunded if there are no issues with infrastructure and no violation of this policy for the duration of the connection.
6. Fire Safety: To ensure maximum safety in the case of a fire, the fire department must be notified of the temporary use of the hydrant. The fire department must know; duration of use, location, and a contact person in the case of emergency.

REVIEW

This policy shall be subject to review one year following implementation, or following new experience and/or new knowledge.

Chief Administrative Officer:



Date:

Oct 15/14