

**SOUTH SABINE WSC
807 FAIRDALE RD.
Hemphill, TX 75948
(409) 579-4185**

Application for Water Service

Date _____

Name _____ Spouse _____

Mailing Address City State Zip

Telephone _____

Place of Employment _____

Location of Property _____

Owner of Property (if other than applicant)

Transfer From

Signature

Below for Office Use

Membership Fee Received _____

Installation Fee Received _____

Additional Charges _____

Transferred From _____

Meter Number _____

Certificate Number _____

Sequence Number _____

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Service Agreement

AGREEMENT made this _____ day of _____, 200____, between, South Sabine Water Supply Corp., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas (hereinafter called the Corporation) and _____, (hereinafter called the Member.

Witnesseth:

The Corporation agrees to sell and deliver water and/or sewer service to the Member and Member agrees to purchase and receive water and/or sewer service from the Corporation, in accordance with the bylaws and rules and regulations of the Corporation as amended from time to time by the Corporation.

The Member shall pay the Corporation for service hereunder at the rates and upon the terms and conditions set forth in the rate schedule adopted from time to time by the Corporation's board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to sell the membership of any member in the event of nonpayment of any charges of assessments owing by said member within thirty (30) days after demand for payment by mail, properly addressed to such delinquent Member. The proceeds of any sale of membership over and above the amount due the Corporation shall be paid to the delinquent Member. In lieu of such sale of membership, the Board of Directors may purchase the membership on behalf of the Corporation at a price determined by the Board to be fair value of the membership, provided that in the event of either a sale of the membership or the purchase thereof by the Corporation the proceeds shall first be applied to the payment of any indebtedness due the Corporation by the delinquent Member.

In the event the Member shall breach this agreement by (1) refusing or failing, without just cause, to connect to the Corporation's facility and use same as soon as the facility is available, or (2) refusing or failing, without just cause, to pay the minimum monthly water rate as established by the Corporation, upon the occurrence of either of said events the Member agrees to pay the Corporation a lump sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) as liquidated damages.

All water shall be metered by a meter furnished and installed by the Corporation. The meter and/or connection is for the sole use of the Member and does not permit the extension of pipe or pipes to transfer water from one property to another, nor share, resell, or sub-meter water to any other persons, dwelling, business, property, etc.

In the event the total water supply be insufficient to meet all of the needs of the Members, or in the event there is a shortage of water, the Corporation may prorate the water available among the various Members on such basis as is deemed equitable by the Board of Directors, and may also prescribe a schedule of hours covering the use of water for garden purposes by particular Members and require adherence thereto to prohibit the use of water for garden purposes; provided that, if at any time the total water supply be insufficient to all of the needs of all Members, the Corporation must first satisfy all of the needs of all Members for domestic purposes before supplying any water for livestock purposes and must satisfy all the needs of the Members for both domestic and livestock purposes before supplying any water for gardening purposes.

The Member shall install at his own expense a cut off valve and service line from the water meter and or sewer connection to the point of use.

The Member shall hold the Corporation harmless from any and all claims or demands for damage to real or personal property occurring from the point the Member ties on to the sewer line and/or water meter to the final destination of the line installed by Member. The Member agrees to grant to the Corporation an easement of right-of-way for the purpose of installing, maintaining and operating such pipe lines, meters,

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valves, and any other equipment which may be deemed necessary for the corporation in such form as is required by the Corporation.

The Corporation shall have the right to locate a sewer service connection and/or water service meter and the pipe necessary to connect the meter on the property of the Members at a point to be chosen by the Corporation, and shall have access to its property and equipment located on Member's premises at all reasonable times for any purpose connected with or in the furtherance of its business operations, and upon discontinuance of service shall have the right to remove any of its property from the Member's premises.

The Corporation's authorized employees shall have access to the Member's property or premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of inspecting for possible violations between the Water Supply Corporation's system and any unknown or nonpotable water supply, as well as any other undesirable plumbing practices as described by the appropriate regulatory authority.

Member

ACCEPTED and APPROVED

President

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Service Agreement

- I. **PURPOSE.** The SOUTH SABINE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution which could result from improper plumbing practices. The purpose of this service agreement is to notify each customer of the plumbing restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The utility enforces these restrictions in order to ensure the public health and welfare. Each customer must sign this agreement before SOUTH SABINE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION will initiate service. In addition, when service to an existing connection has been suspended or terminated, the water system will not re-establish service unless it has a signed copy of this agreement
- II. **PLUMBING RESTRICTIONS.** The following undesirable plumbing practices are prohibited.
- A. No direct connection between the public drinking water supply and a potential source of contamination is permitted. Potential sources of contamination shall be isolated from the public water system by an air-gap or an appropriate backflow prevention device.
 - B. No cross-connection between the public drinking water supply and a private water system is permitted. These potential threats to the public drinking water supply shall be eliminated at the service connection by the installation of an air-gap or a reduced pressure zone backflow prevention device
 - C. No connection which allows water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
 - D. No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more than 8.0% lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.
 - E. No solder or flux which contains more than 0.2% lead can be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.
- III. **SERVICE AGREEMENT.** The following are the terms of the service agreement between the SOUTH SABINE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND _____.
- A. The water system will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the customer and/or the premises is connected to the water system.
 - B. The customer shall allow his property to be inspected for possible cross connections and other undesirable plumbing practices; these inspections shall be conducted by the Water System or its designated agent prior to initiating service and periodically thereafter. The inspections shall be conducted during the Water System's normal business hours.
 - C. The Water System shall notify the Customer in writing of any cross-connection or other undesirable plumbing practice which has been identified during the initial inspection or the periodic reinspection.
 - D. the customer shall immediately correct any undesirable plumbing practice on his premises.
 - E. The customer shall, at his expense, properly install, test and maintain any backflow prevention device required by the water system. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the Water System.

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- F. The Customer shall install at his expense a cutoff valve and service line from the water meter and or sewer connection to the point of use.
- IV. **ENFORCEMENT.** If the Customer fails to comply with the terms of the Service Agreement, the water System shall, at its option, either terminate service or properly install, test, and maintain an appropriate backflow prevention device at the service connection. Any expenses associated with the enforcement of this agreement shall be billed to the Customer.
- V. **OPTIONAL FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRIBUTION.** South Sabine WSC has in place on its bill an optional voluntary donation of \$2.00 for the Fairmount Voluntary Fire Department. This \$2.00 donation may be deducted from the bill if the Customer does not wish to participate.

Customer Signature _____

Date _____

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WATER RATES AND CHARGES FOR SOUTH SABINE W S C

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| 0 | \$24.00 |
| 0-5000 | +\$2.00 PER 1000 GALLONS |
| 5001-10000 | +\$3.00 PER 1000 GALLONS |
| 10001-25000 | +\$4.00 PER 1000 GALLONS |
| 25001-50000 | +\$5.00 PER 1000 GALLONS |
| 50001-100000 | +\$6.00 PER 1000 GALLONS |
| 100001 PLUS | +\$7.00 PER 1000 GALLONS |

ALL ACCOUNTS THAT ARE NOT PAID IN FULL BY THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH WILL HAVE A \$5.00 LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ADDED TO THE BILL. THIS FEE WILL OCCUR EACH MONTH UNTIL THE BILL IS PAID IN FULL.

THERE IS A \$25.00 CHARGE FOR RE-CONNECT FEE IF AN ACCOUNT IS PAST DUE (60) DAYS. CUT OFF DATE, 26TH OF MONTH OF THE PAST DUE DATE, UNLESS THE DATE FALLS ON SAT. OR A HOLIDAY. THEN THE CUT-OFF WILL BE THE FIRST WORKING DAY FOLLOWING THE 25TH OF THAT MONTH.

NEW MEMBERSHIP FEE IS \$150.00, (WHICH IS TRANSFERABLE BUT NOT RE-FUNDABLE, UPON THE SALE OF PROPERTY OR CANCELLATION OF MEMBERSHIP). THERE IS A \$350.00 INSTALLATION CHARGE. WE RECOMMEND THAT EACH CONNECTION HAVE A REGULATOR INSTALLED. THE FEE FOR THE REGULATOR IS \$50.00. FOR A TOTAL OF \$550.00.

A ADDITIONAL \$100.00 WILL BE ADDED TO THE FEE FOR A ROAD CROSS.

EXTRA CHARGES WILL BE ADDED TO THE INSTALLATION CHARGES FOR HAVING TO BORE ANY ROADS OR STREETS. THIS CHARGE WILL BE THE AMOUNT THE CONTRACTOR CHARGES FOR ROAD BORING.

ANY MEMBER SELLING OR DISPOSING OF PROPERTY, MUST NOTIFY THE CORPORATION AND SIGN A TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP.

THE READING OF THE METERS WILL BE STARTED ON THE 25TH OF EACH MONTH, UNLESS THE 25TH FALLS ON SAT. OR A HOLIDAY. THEN THE METERS WILL BE STARTED TO BE READ ON THE NEXT WORKING DAY OF THAT MONTH. BILLS WILL BE MAILED ON OR ABOUT THE LAST WORKING DAY OF THE MONTH.

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU TURN YOUR WATER OFF IF YOU PLAN ON BEING AWAY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR LEAKS ON YOUR SIDE OF THE METER.

THE CUSTOMER MUST INSTALL A CUT OFF VALVE ON THEIR SIDE OF THE METER.

THE CUSTOMER MUST HAVE A HOSE BIB VACCUM BREAKER ON ALL FAUCETS.