

**CENTRAL WASHINGTON COUNTY WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION
 WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT
 APPLICATION FOR WATER SERVICE CONNECTION**

Please print

Date: ____/____/____

Applicant: _____

Co-Applicant: _____

Billing Address: _____ Service Address: _____

Phone Number: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email Address: _____

Driver's License Number of Applicant _____ State _____

Social Security Number of Applicant _____

Legal Description of Property (Name of Road, Section Number, Block Number, and Lot Number):

Previous Owner: _____

Acreage: _____ Number in Family: _____ Livestock and Number: _____

Water will be used for (Please check all that apply):

- Residence Business/Type of Business (if applicable) _____
 Rental House Guest House Sprinkler System Pool Barn and/or Livestock
 Orchard/Vineyard Other _____

BREAKDOWN OF APPLICATION FEES, IF APPLICABLE February 2022 See Exhibit A Rate and Fee Schedule for additional rates and information			
Membership Fee	\$200.00	Renter's Deposit	\$150.00
Membership Transfer Fee	\$100.00	Renter's Transfer Fee	\$100.00
Standard Tap (Connection) Fee	\$950.00*	Equity Buy-In Fee (standard 5/8 " meter)	\$675.00

*(or actual cost, whichever is greater)

Please return completed application, along with a copy of photo ID, and payment to:

Central Washington County WSC, 26550 Ranch Road 12, Suite 1, Dripping Springs, TX 78620

The following information is requested by the Federal Government in order to monitor compliance with Federal laws prohibiting discrimination against applicants seeking to participate in this program. You are not required to furnish this information, but you are encouraged to do so. This information will not be used in evaluating your application or to discriminate against you in any way. However, if you choose not to furnish it, we are required to not the race/national origin of individual applicants on the basis of visual observation or surname.

- Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not of Hispanic or Latino
 Race: White Black or African American American Indian/Alaska Native
 Asian Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 Gender: Male Female

PURPOSE: The 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 to ensure the public health and welfare. Each customer must sign this agreement before the Corporation will provide water service. **Additionally, when service to an existing connection has been suspended or terminated, the System will not re-establish service until the Corporation receives a signed copy of this agreement.**

SERVICE AGREEMENT: Following are the terms of the Service Agreement between the Corporation and the Applicant.

- The Corporation will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Member and/or the premises are connected to the water system.
- The Member shall grant to the Corporation, now or in the future, any easements of right-of-way for the purpose of installing, maintaining, and operating such pipelines, meters, valves, and any other equipment which may be deemed necessary by the Corporation to extend or improve service for existing or future Members, on such forms as are required by the Corporation to extend or improve service for existing or future Members.
- The Member shall allow his property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and other undesirable plumbing practices. **THE MEMBER IS RESPONSIBLE** for contacting a certified Customer Service Inspector, such as a plumber or water system operator certified to conduct this inspection, prior to the Corporation initiating water service. The Corporation must receive the completed Customer Service Inspection certificate prior to initiating water service.
- The Member shall immediately correct any undesirable plumbing practice on his premises.
- The Member shall, at his expense, properly install, test, and maintain any backflow prevention device required by the Corporation. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the Corporation. (See **PLUMBING RESTRICTIONS** Section).
- The Member agrees to provide access to the water meter at all times and to keep the meter area free of undergrowth, weeds and brush or other obstructions.
- The Applicant must have his own shut-off valve on his side of the meter. The shut-off valve belonging to the Corporation is to be used by Corporation personnel only. The Corporation does not regulate the water pressure at the meter. Therefore, it is recommended that the Applicant install a pressure regulator valve (prv) on the Applicant's water line right after the shut-off valve that is required. A prv increases the lifespan of fixtures and pipes, reduces the probability of pipe bursts and saves money on water.

PLUMBING RESTRICTIONS: The following undesirable plumbing practices are prohibited by State regulations:

- 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.

- 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.
- No connection which allows water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
- No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more than 0.25% lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use. **(Revised 7/2018 to comply with 30 TAC §290.47(b))**
- No solder or flux which contains more than 0.2% lead exists in private water distribution facilities installed on or after July 1, 1988
- Plumbing installed on or after January 4, 2014 bears the expected labeling indicating $\leq 0.25\%$ lead content. If not properly labeled, please provide written comment.

ENFORCEMENT: If the Applicant fails to comply with the terms of this Service Agreement the Corporation 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 Applicant.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- The Corporation shall sell and deliver water service to the Applicant and the Applicant shall purchase, receive and /or reserve service from the Corporation in accordance with the bylaws and tariff of the Corporation as amended from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Upon compliance with said policies, including payment of a Membership Fee, the Applicant qualifies for membership as a new applicant or continued membership as a transferee and thereby may hereinafter be called a Member.

In the event the total water supply is insufficient to meet all of the Members demands, or in the event there is a shortage of water, the Corporation may initiate the Emergency Rationing Program as specified in the Corporation's Tariff. By execution of this agreement, the applicant hereby shall comply with the terms of said program.

- The **Member** or renting tenant shall pay the Corporation for service hereunder as determined by the Corporation's tariff and upon the terms and conditions set forth therein. The Member agrees to these terms and conditions by execution of this agreement. A copy of this agreement shall be executed before service may be provided to the Applicant or renter.
- The **Board of Directors** shall have the authority to discontinue service and cancel the membership of any Member not complying with any policy or not paying any utility fees or charges as required by the Corporation's published rates, fees, and conditions of service. At any time service is discontinued, terminated, or suspended, the Corporation shall not reestablish service unless it has a current, signed copy of this agreement. Meters to be furnished and installed by the Corporation shall meter all water. The water meter is for the sole use of the Member or customer and is to provide service to only one (1) dwelling or one (1) business. Extension of pipe(s) to transfer utility service from one property to another, to share, resell, or submeter water to any person, dwellings, businesses, or property, etc., is prohibited.

The Corporation shall have the right to locate a water service meter and the pipe necessary to connect the meter on the Member's property at a point to be chosen by the Corporation, and shall have access to its property and equipment located upon Member's premises at all reasonable and necessary times for any purpose connected with or in the furtherance of its business operations, and upon discontinuance of service, the Corporation shall have the right to remove any of its equipment from the Member's property. The Member shall install at his own expense any necessary service lines from the Corporation's facilities and equipment to the point of use, including any customer service isolation valves, backflow prevention devices, or other equipment as specified by the Corporation. The Corporation shall also have access to the Member's property for the purpose of inspecting for possible cross-connections and other undesirable plumbing practices.

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By execution hereof, the Member or renting tenant shall hold the Corporation harmless from any and all claims for damages caused by service interruptions due to waterline breaks by utility or like contractors, tampering by other members/users of the Corporation, normal failures of the system, or other events beyond the Corporation's control.

By execution hereof, the Member or renting tenant shall guarantee payment of all other rates, fees, and charges due on any account for which said Member owns a Membership. Said guarantee shall pledge any and all Membership Fees against any balance due the Corporation. Liquidation of said Membership Fees should give rise to discontinuance of service under the terms and conditions of the Corporation's tariff.

By execution hereof, the Member or renting tenant agrees that non-compliance with the terms of this agreement by said Applicant should constitute denial or discontinuance of service until such time as the violation is corrected to the satisfaction of the Corporation.

Any misrepresentation of the facts by the applicant on this agreement shall result in discontinuance of service pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Corporation's tariff.

AGREEMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

By agreement made this date between the **Applicant** and **Central Washington County Water Supply Corp.** (the System), the undersigned acknowledges BY SIGNATURE BELOW that this

Service Agreement has been read and is understood, and hereby agrees to the terms and conditions herein stated.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Co-Applicant

Date

SPECIAL NOTICE

RIGHT OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

Changes to the confidentiality rule effective September 2021 requires certain utility companies to keep your personal information* private, unless you expressly tell us not to do so.

To rescind confidentiality of your personal information, please complete the information requested on this portion of the form.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

ACCT. # (will be supplied by office staff):

_____ I HEREBY RESCIND MY CONFIDENTIALITY

“Personal Information” as defined by the statute means an individual’s address, telephone number, or social security number. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 866-643-3472.