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Wolsborn Farms Water District Rules and Regulations

FIELD SERVICES
DRINKING WATER PROGRAM

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The Following Rules and Regulations are in addition to any ORS Regulations governing water districts. The general law of ORS264.306 is restated here for reference:

Any domestic water supply corporation may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the use of water and the property of the corporation. The board of commissioners may refuse to supply any building, place, or premises with water when the user fails after 5 days written notice to comply with the rules and regulations of said district. The written notice shall be by registered mail and shall be deemed given when it is deposited in the US Post Office properly addressed with the postage paid.

Whenever the household supply of water is being jeopardized by nonhousehold use of water, the corporation can order the nonhousehold use of water to be immediately discontinued. For the purpose of this subsection, nonhousehold use includes irrigation of lawns or fields.

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The District shall furnish, subject to the limitations set out in these Bylaws and Rules and Regulations, such quantity of water as members may desire in connection with member's occupancy of property within the boundaries of the Wolsborn Farms Water District.

It shall be the District's obligation to install, operate, inspect, repair, maintain and replace water meters. The District shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of all equipment and piping from and including the well to each water meter.

The member shall install and maintain, at his own expense, a service line which shall begin at the meter and extend to the dwelling or place of use. The service line shall connect with the distribution system of the District at the nearest place of desired use by the member, provided the

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District has determined in advance, that the system is of sufficient capacity to permit the delivery of water at that point.

Property owners are responsible for maintaining accessibility of the meter box for reading. The meter box is to be positioned to prevent damage from outside sources, such as vehicle weight or impact, freezing, or otherwise becoming inoperative due to outside causes. (language copied from 1969 bylaws)

The member shall comply with and be bound by these Articles, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the District, or as hereafter duly and legally supplemented, amended or changed. The member also shall pay for water at such rates, time and place determined by the district.

The District shall have final authority in any question of location of any service line connection to its distribution system; shall determine the allocation of water to members in the event of a water shortage; and may shut off water to a member who allows a connection or extension to be made of his service line for the purpose of supplying water to another user. In the event the total water supply shall be insufficient to meet all of the needs of the members, or in the event there is a shortage of water, the District may prorate the water available among the various members on such basis as is deemed equitable by the Board, and may also prescribe a schedule of hours covering use of water for garden purposes by members and require adherence thereto or prohibit the use of water for garden purposes; provided that, if at any time the total water supply shall be insufficient to meet all of the needs of all members, the District must first satisfy all the needs of all members for domestic purposes before supplying any water for livestock purposes, and must satisfy all of the needs of all members for both domestic and livestock purposes before supplying any water for garden purposes.

Should a member have an existing water source other than that provided by the District, he shall at his own expense, install a check valve at the point of connection between his service line and the District's distribution system.

It is required by law (OAR 333-61-0070) that a backflow prevention device be installed on ancillary service lines besides domestic water, such as sprinkler systems and swimming pools. Required annual inspections are to be paid by the member with copies of the results

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provided to the board by July 1st of each year. *(Add wording regarding penalties for non-compliance)*

The member shall connect his service lines to the District's distribution system and shall commence to use water from the system on the date the connection fee is paid or the water meter is installed, whichever comes first

Water charges to the member shall commence on the date the connection fee is paid or the water meter is installed, whichever occurs first, regardless of whether the member uses the water or not.

New members shall be required to pay a connection fee, which includes installation of a water meter and cutoff valve. This fee is comprised of all costs incurred to make connection to the water main, plus \$150 paid to Wolsborn Farms for services provided. The District shall have the right of use of such cutoff valve and water meter if necessary.

The District will mail to each member, the water bill by the 5th Day of each month. Bills will be due and payable by the 10th day of each month. *(Note the district changed to quarterly billing in 2006, need new language)*

The old language from 1969:

The water bill is due upon receipt; delinquent 10 days thereafter. The first delinquent notice is sent on the next following regular billing; second notice at the end of 60 days, and the third and final notice at the end of 90 days. Water service is to be disconnected on the 100th day of non payment.

The failure of a member to pay water charges duly imposed shall result in the automatic imposition of the following penalties:

(1977 language follows)

1. Nonpayment by the last day of the month will result in the water being shut off from the members property
2. In the event service to the member is terminated by the District for non-payment of billing, or for cause, a reconnect fee of \$10 in addition to any delinquent billing will be required before service is restored.

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Rates and Schedules
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The following schedule of water rates is hereby established and shall be charged for water supplied by the District.

<u>Monthly Usage</u>	<u>Monthly Rates</u>
0-4,000 cubic feet	\$30.00 minimum
Over 4000 cubic feet	\$1.00 per 100 cubic feet.

For Payment Delinquencies

Reconnect Fee for delinquency	\$25
Service Deposit	\$one month service fee (from 1969)
Per ORS 264.308 re cash deposit requirements for water users	

Said water rates become effective May 1, 2008 and shall remain in full force and effect until changed by the Board of Commissioners.