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NORTHERN KENTUCKY WATER DISTRICT

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SERVICE COMMISSION**

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SECTION XIX – FIRE HYDRANT MAINTENANCE POLICY

1. The local fire departments and cities are responsible for:

a. Notification to the District of:

- i. Any discrepancies or problems with a fire hydrant by submitting the proper "Fire Hydrant Inspection Reports" to the District.
- ii. The amount of water used for flow testing and flushing fire hydrants, training drills using fire hydrants, refilling fire engine tanks, fire emergencies, and any other use for fire hydrants in accordance with 807 KAR 5:095. These figures only need to be an estimated amount.
- iii. Any event in which a fire hydrant is utilized for any purpose other than an emergency. This includes: flow testing and flushing fire hydrants, training drills using fire hydrants (night or day), refilling fire engine tanks on a non-emergency basis, and any other non-emergency use for fire hydrants.
- iv. Any event in which a fire hydrant is utilized for an emergency purpose. The District shall be notified as soon as practical.

b. Coordinated Inspection of the working condition and accessibility of each public fire hydrant located in their jurisdiction including:

- i. Inspection, operation and flow testing of all fire hydrants must coordinate with the District and should be conducted in the spring and fall only. Summer flow testing and inspection should be avoided due to increased demand on the system.
- ii. Notification of any discrepancies or problems with the fire hydrant.

c. Winterization (pumping them dry if they do not self drain) of all the hydrants in their area to avoid freezing (except as noted in Section XIX 2.d).

d. Maintenance of the following items for public fire hydrants:

- i. Lubricating the threads of the discharge nozzles and the operating nut of the fire hydrant.
- ii. Maintaining accessibility and visibility.
- iii. Replacing nozzle cap gaskets when they are missing or damaged beyond their usefulness.
- iv. Painting the entire fire hydrant, "red" for high pressure zones and "yellow" for all other zones. The only exception to this is, if the fire department elects to color code the hydrants as to the flows available. Only the color of the dome can then be changed.

2. The Northern Kentucky Water District is responsible for:

a. Repairing all public fire hydrants within a reasonable time, subject to the District's work load, after the District receives proper written notification from the fire departments or city with the exception of items listed under fire department and city responsibilities. The District will notify the local fire department or city when repairs are made.

b. Supplying paint, lubricant and nozzle cap gaskets to any fire department or city in the District's service area.

c. Notification to the local fire department when any fire hydrant in their service area is going to be out of service due to scheduled shut downs, main breaks, maintenance, etc. In cases of an emergency shut down, notification will be made as soon as practical.

d. Winterization (pumping them dry if they do not self drain) of all the hydrants used by the District for system operation and maintenance to prevent them from freezing between November 15 March 30.

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