

Notes on completion of equipment usage form

1. The equipment usage form is necessary to determine water use for charging purposes. Please complete one form for each different type of apparatus. For example, two water jetters of different water tank/cistern size would require two separate applications to be completed
2. For vehicle mounted equipment, please provide the vehicle registration number.
3. The size for standpipes should be taken as the internal diameter of the upstand. Most equipment, and in particular any apparatus incorporating pumps, should only be fed from a tank/cistern. The capacity of the tank/cistern should be taken as that to the controlled water level. This information should be available in the manufacturer's literature. Failure to provide it may delay the issue of a licence.

For enquiries, please contact us by using any of the following methods:

Web: www.thameswater.co.uk/hydrantlicensing
Email: hydrants@thameswater.co.uk

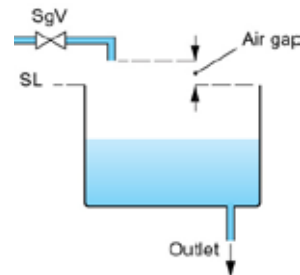
Telephone: 0845 6410 078 between 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. Outside of these hours please email your enquiry to the above address.

Post:

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4. The Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999 require appropriate backflow protection to be provided on standpipes used for temporary supplies. This normally would be approved double check valves where the risk does not exceed Fluid Category 3 as determined in those Regulations. In Situations where the point of use is going to exceed Fluid Category 3 then the method of supply should be fed from a storage cistern via a Type AA, AB air gap.

See below a Type AA air gap arrangement as an example.



Key to symbols
SgV: servicing valve
SL: spillover level

The Air gap, i.e. the vertical distance of the discharge point of the inlet pipe above the spillover level, must be at least twice the bore of the inlet pipe and never less than 20mm.

The cistern contains the potentially contaminated fluid category four or five substances.

To increase the water pressure, a booster pump can be fitted on the distributing pipes from cisterns incorporating air gaps, but consent from the Water Supplier is required if the flow is greater than 12 litres/minute.

Note: Fluid 3 category: Fluid which represents a slight health hazard because of the concentration of substances of low toxicity, for example containing ethylene glycol or common disinfectants.

1. In these terms and conditions,
 - a) 'we', 'us' and 'our' refers to Thames Water Utilities Limited, and 'you' and 'your' refers to the Applicant and the Applicant's employees acting on the Applicant's behalf.
 - b) 'Applicant' means the person who has made an Application for a Hydrant Licence.
 - c) 'Application' means an application as set out in www.thameswater.co.uk/hydrantlicensing
 - d) 'Approved Equipment' means the equipment referred to in the Application for which you have a valid Hydrant Licence.
 - e) 'Disinfection Requirements' means our procedures as set out in our leaflet entitled Disinfection and connection of a standpipe, a copy of which is available from our website and by post.
 - f) 'Hydrant Licence' means a licence granted by us permitting you to connect Approved Equipment to one of our hydrants for the purposes mentioned in your Application.
 - g) 'Hydrant Procedures' means our procedures as set out in Disinfection and connection of a standpipe, a copy of which is available from our website and by post.
 - h) 'Licence Fee' means the applicable annual fee calculated in accordance with our [Table of Charges].
 - i) 'Table of Charges' means our table of charges as set out in the Sundry Charges, a copy of which is available from our website and by post.
2. You are not permitted to connect any equipment, apparatus or appliance to any of our hydrants other than Approved Equipment.
3. Once you have paid the Licence Fee you may connect Approved Equipment to our hydrants provided that you comply with:
 - a) these terms and conditions,
 - b) all applicable laws.
4. Water drawn from a hydrant must only be used for the purpose specified in the application. It must not be used for drinking, culinary or food and drink preparation.
5. Each Hydrant Licence is personal to the Applicant
6. Additional Requirements
 - a) All Approved Equipment used to draw water from a hydrant must be fitted with an approved device to prevent backflow, such as an approved Double Check Valve, and must not in any way allow waste or contamination to take place.
 - b) Where tanks/cisterns are filled from a standpipe, a type AA air gap must be incorporated at the inlet to the cistern/tank.
 - c) You must comply with the Disinfection Requirements and follow the Hydrant Procedures. All standpipes, hoses and associated attachments must be disinfected prior to connecting to a hydrant and must be kept clean at all times and not be allowed to come into contact with other equipment or materials likely to contaminate them;
 - d) Hydrants must not be kept open allowing water to run to waste;
 - e) To conserve water usage, the outlet of the hoses must incorporate a self-closing trigger gun device, in order to minimise unnecessary waste of water.
 - f) Damaged and worn apparatus must not be used and must therefore be repaired or replaced. We reserve the right to refuse the use of faulty equipment.
 - g) Where a hose is used, you must take care to ensure that its outlet is always kept visible to the user. Under no circumstances should a hose outlet be placed into a gully, drain, manhole, culvert or ditch.
7. Hydrant Licences will be issued in writing and/or by serial numbered windscreen labels for appliances and, for standpipes only, by security sealed tags.

8. Valid tags must be attached to all standpipes, and vehicle stickers clearly displayed at all times. You must be able to produce a valid Hydrant Licence for each item of Approved Equipment upon request of our representative.
9. Fees and Payment
 - a) A licence fee must be paid in advance in respect of each registered appliance. Payment by invoice may be arranged.
 - b) Payment terms are strictly within 14 days. A fee may be charged for all payments made later than 14 days after the invoice was raised
 - c) Where a visit is required by a technician an attendance fee will be payable.
 - d) Where we issue a Hydrant Licence for any equipment, apparatus or appliance after you have connected it to a hydrant without a valid Hydrant Licence, we are entitled to recover from the Applicant an administration fee of £90.
10. It is the Applicant's responsibility to apply for a renewal of each Hydrant Licence where applicable, in advance of the current licence expiry.
11. Liability
 - a) To the extent permitted by law, we will not, under any of the following circumstances, accept liability for:
 - i) Loss or damage caused to the property of any person or persons, wherever situated, by reason of the use or operation of the hydrant, standpipe or hoses
 - ii) Any injury suffered by any person or persons by reason of the use or operation of the hydrant, standpipe or associated hoses
 - b) The Applicant must indemnify us against all actions, claims, damages or demands, which may result in respect of any such loss, damage, or injury.
 - c) The Applicant shall pay the cost of any damage caused to our property whilst carrying out operations permitted by each Hydrant Licence.
12. You must comply with any request from the Fire Service not to draw water from a particular hydrant and must also comply with any reasonable requirement of the Highway Agency when taking water from a hydrant in a street.
13. You agree that for the purpose of monitoring, Thames Water may pass to the appropriate Fire Service, full details of any licence granted pursuant to this application.
14. Hydrant Licences are personal to the Applicant and may not be transferred to anyone else without our consent. Your contractors and subcontractors are not permitted to abstract water from our mains unless they hold their own licence.
15. We reserve the following rights:
 - a) To instruct you not to use any specified hydrants, where necessary because of our operational needs;
 - b) To terminate any Hydrant Licence at any time if you breach of any of these terms and conditions; and
 - c) To instigate prosecution proceedings in respect of:
 - i) Water taken in contravention of these terms and conditions,
 - ii) Any contravention of the Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999 preventing waste, undue consumption, misuse, contamination or erroneous measurement of water, and
 - iii) Any contravention of any drought order that may be imposed