

# WEST LAUDERDALE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY - WATER USERS AGREEMENT

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STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF LAUDERDALE

THIS AGREEMENT between the West Lauderdale County Water and Fire Protection Authority, a public organization existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Alabama, hereinafter called the AUTHORITY, and the undersigned water user, hereinafter called the WATER USER.

WITNESSETH: That, whereas, the WATER USER desires to purchase water for domestic, commercial, agricultural, industrial or other uses, from the AUTHORITY and to enter into a Water Users Agreement as required by the By-Laws of the Authority. NOW: THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and agreements herein contained it is hereby understood and agreed:

1. The AUTHORITY shall furnish, subject to the limitations as provided for in the By-Laws, Service Rules and Regulations hereinafter provided for such quantity of water as the WATER USER may desire in connection with his occupancy of property located at: \_\_\_\_\_, Alabama.
2. The WATER USER shall install and maintain at their own expense, a service line to include a SHUT OFF VALVE, which shall begin at a point designated by the AUTHORITY at their property line and to the dwelling and other portion of the premises. WLWA WATER USERS may find it necessary to install a PRESSURE REGULATOR VALVE on their service connection.
3. The WATER USER shall not have a connection to an alternate source of water without prior approval of the AUTHORITY, and without an approved REDUCED PRESSURE VALVE/BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE.
4. The WATER USER shall not connect a sprinkler system to their water line, without installing, at their own expense, a special back flow preventer valve connecting the water supply to the sprinkler system. The connection must be made into the water line prior to the dwelling and before connection to the dwelling. Failure to comply would be a violation of the WLWA'S CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL POLICY and will result in immediate disconnection of the water service connection.
5. The WATER USER'S service line shall connect with the distribution system of the AUTHORITY at the place designated by the AUTHORITY provided the AUTHORITY has determined that the AUTHORITY'S water system is of sufficient capacity and financially capable to permit delivery of water to that point.
6. The WATER USER shall pay for such water at such rates, time and place as shall be determined by the AUTHORITY.
7. The WATER USER understands that a non-refundable meter installation fee of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), plus a refundable deposit of seventy five dollars (\$75.00) will be collected prior to connection of service, and the WATER USER shall be liable for at least a minimum bill from the date service is made available to them, whether or not they avail themselves of the service, until the time the WATER USER requests disconnection of their service.
8. There will be no disconnection service fee, but the AUTHORITY reserves the right to charge a non-refundable Service Charge fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00), should the AUTHORITY deem it necessary.
9. The AUTHORITY shall purchase and install a cut-off valve and a water meter, in each service, provided use of water is immediately desired. Such cut-off valve shall be installed either off the WATER USER'S premises or upon the WATER USER'S property within three (3) feet of the property line. The AUTHORITY shall have exclusive right to use such cut-off valve and water meter and to turn it on and off.
10. The AUTHORITY shall make the final determination in any questions of location of any service line connection to its distribution system and shall determine the allocation of water to WATER USERS in the event of a water shortage.
11. The AUTHORITY may shut off the water of a WATER USER who allows a connection or extension to be made to their service line for the purpose of supplying water to another user.
12. The failure of a WATER USER to pay water charges duly imposed shall result in the automatic imposition of the following penalties.
  - A. NONPAYMENT within ten (10) days from due date will be subject to a penalty of ten percent (10%) of the delinquent account.
  - B. NONPAYMENT within thirty (30) days from the due date may result in the water being shut off from the WATER USER'S property.
13. In the event it becomes necessary for the AUTHORITY to shut off the water from a WATER USER'S property for a violation of the Rules and Regulations, a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be charged for a reconnection of the service.

THE FOREGOING NOTWITHSTANDING, the AUTHORITY reserves the right to make or amend the By-Laws or the Rules and Regulations of the system from time to time, and the WATER USER agrees to abide by such changes upon notice thereof.

THE WATER USER UNDERSTANDS, that a refundable security deposit of seventy five dollars (\$75.00) will be collected upon connection of service, which said seventy five dollars (\$75.00) shall be applicable to any unpaid balance owed by the WATER USER to the AUTHORITY for water service rendered and not paid for.

BOARD MEETING dates and times will be posted at the West Lauderdale County Water and Fire Protection Authority office at 3353 County Rd. 200 Florence, Alabama 35633.

**WEST LAUDERDALE COUNTY WATER AND FIRE PROTECTION AUTHORITY**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

WATER USER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_