

**CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT**  
**300 North "D" Street**  
**San Bernardino, CA 92418**

**RULE AND REGULATION NO. 14**  
**FIRE SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES**

**A. PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION:**

1. Administration and engineering fees, costs for detectors and meters, and the process for making requests for private fire protection are set forth in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 5.
2. The requirements for temporary use of water from a fire hydrant are set forth in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 16.
3. Service connection approvals are set forth in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 2.
4. Upon completion and installation, the valve governing the installation will be closed and sealed and remain so until a written order for turn on is received from the customer of record. The BOWC shall not be liable for any damages that may occur to the premises served by reason of the installation, maintenance, use, pressure fluctuation or interruption of supply.

**B. MONTHLY RATES (RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL):**

The monthly rates charged and collected for service used for fire protection shall be:

<u>Size of Service</u>	<u>July 1, 2009</u>
1" Combination Domestic Fire	2.70
2" Pipe	10.75
3" Pipe	16.15
4" Pipe	21.49
6" Pipe	32.24
8" Pipe	42.99
10" Pipe	53.74
12" Pipe	64.48

1. The monthly rates shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms, conditions, and penalties as set forth in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 6 entitled "Payment of Bills."
2. The City of San Bernardino fire service connections paid from the City's General Fund prior to July 1, 1995 shall be exempt from rates charged herein effective July 1, 1995.

**C. WATER USED FOR NON-FIRE SERVICE:**

If water is used through a fire service connection for any other purpose than fire suppression, the SBMWD shall have the right to place a meter on the fire service connection at the owner's expense, including acquisition of service charges if applicable as set forth in Rule and Regulation No. 5 or to turn off service to such premises. Upon installation of such meter, the water rates as prescribed in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 21 herein shall apply, in addition to the service charge as set forth in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 14, Paragraph B.

**D. BACKFLOW PREVENTION**

1. The BOWC reserves the right to require the installation on all fire service connections of a double check detector check valve of a type approved by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, equipped with a bypass meter and one OS&Y gate valve; such installation shall be at the expense of the owner of the property, and the regular domestic water rates as set forth in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 21 shall apply for all water used through such service except for fire protection purposes only.

2. Fire services shall require SBMWD approved double check detector checks with by-pass, meter and one OS&Y gate valve. The fire service assembly shall be installed on private property, accessible to the SBMWD for monthly meter reading, repair, testing, and/or meter replacement. The fire service shall pass an annual test conducted by a certified backflow prevention tester as established in SBMWD Rule and Regulation No. 22 and shall be subjected to all other provisions of Rule and Regulation No. 22.

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Supersedes:	July 1, 2009

\*Elimination of fire service acquisition of service charges, effective 04/01/10.