

## **RULE 16 - OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF METERS**

**Section 1.** The County reserves the exclusive right to furnish all water meters, except the auxiliary meters referred to in Rule 11, **Section 2.**

**Section 2.** All water meters furnished by the County shall be and remain County property. All water meters shall be under the absolute control of the County and subject to inspection by County personnel at all times.

**Section 3.** Water meters furnished by the County shall be maintained, repaired, removed and replaced by the Water Division without direct cost to the customer.

**Section 4.** If a water meter is damaged either by action of or due to the negligence of the customer, the cost of repairing or replacing the meter will be billed to the customer. The cost to be billed to the customer will include a \$25.00 minimum service charge, plus the actual cost of labor and material required to repair or replace the meter.