ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - WATER RULES

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RULE 25 - USE OF PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS

Section 1. No person (other than an authorized employee of the County, or a member of a regularly organized fire department, while engaged in the performance of his official duties) shall open, operate, or remove the nozzle cap from any public fire hydrant within the District. Fire hydrants on private fire lines shall be considered public fire hydrants for the purposes of this Rule.

Section 2. Violators of this Rule will be subject to the full extent of prosecution allowed by law.

Section 3. Fire hydrants may be used for agricultural irrigation use subject to the Sanitary Engineers approval and following Rule 21.

Section 4. Fire hydrants may be used for filling institutional, commercial, condominium and apartment complex pools with permission from the Local Fire Department and the Water Division Superintendent when the fire hydrant is available without physical constraints and when on a water line which has adequate pressure and has recently been flushed. Filling will require a water meter provided by the Water Division at the cost described in Water Rule 21, Section 1. The Customer will have to pay for the water used at normal water and sewer rates.