

LICENCE CONDITIONS FOR USE OF STANDPIPES FOR SUPPLY PURPOSES



1. The use of Hydrant Standpipes for supply purposes is not permitted. Where supplies are required for extended periods separate application should be made for a water mains connection.
2. All Standpipes, with the exception of those used by the Fire Authorities will be 25mm (1") diameter protection Standpipes which have been issued by Scottish Water. They must not be modified or altered. They must be maintained in a serviceable condition and used as noted in section 12 to prevent waste, undue consumption, misuse or contamination of water supplied to them.
3. This copy of your Licence is your Authority to use the relevant Standpipe and must be retained on site at all times when the hydrant is being used and shown to any representative from Scottish Water on request. The information contained in the original signed copy of the application and the request for payment also forms part of these conditions.
4. The user of fire hydrants shall be liable for the cost of repair of any damage done to fire hydrants or property of Scottish Water caused as a result of such use. The user shall free and relieve Scottish Water of all claims of damages that may arise due to the taking of the supply and breach of the Licence conditions.
5. The records of Licences issued will be available to the Fire Authority.
6. At all times the use of any hydrant for a temporary supply will be at the discretion of Scottish Water and/or the Fire Authority. Any Licence so issued may be withdrawn at any time.
7. A fee will be levied for each licensed Standpipe issued. This fee will be reviewed annually by Scottish Water.
8. There is no refund for Standpipe Hires after the Standpipe is hired or if the Standpipe is returned early.
9. Standpipes will be returned to Scottish Water for examination and test at the expiry of each hire period (or every 3 years if extending a Licence).
10. Return of the Standpipe(s) is the Hirer's responsibility.
 - (a) Failure to return the Standpipe or extend the hire period of the Licence within 2 weeks of the expiry date will result in the Hirer having to pay the cost of one year's Hire Charge at the current rate. This will be processed automatically and a new invoice will be raised and on receipt of payment a new Licence will be issued to cover this hire period.
11. Any lost or stolen Standpipe will incur a £150 + VAT charge per Standpipe.
12. Scottish Water reserves the right to specify which hydrant may or may not be used for water abstraction using a licensed Standpipe.
13. Hydrant Key is not supplied by Scottish Water; purchase of a key is down to the hirer.
14. **Instructions for Standpipe Use with a Hydrant:**
 - (a) Ensure works around the hydrant are adequately signed and guarded, prior to commencing use.
 - (b) Carefully remove the fire hydrant surface box lid.
 - (c) Remove protective cap on hydrant outlet.
 - (d) DO NOT FLUSH HYDRANT PRIOR TO AFFIXING STANDPIPE.
 - (e) Affix Standpipe and secure, without using undue force.
 - (f) Using a suitable key, gently open hydrant one or two turns only: in an anti-clockwise direction.
 - (g) Flush discoloured water, which may have been lying in the hydrant, prior to affixing the Standpipe.
 - (h) Draw water, as appropriate, through the Standpipe.
 - (i) When water is not being drawn, the valve on the hydrant should be closed slowly, the Standpipe removed and the surface lid replaced. Never remove the Standpipe with the valve on the hydrant open.
 - (j) Do not use the hydrant valve to control flow.
 - (k) Do not use a Standpipe which is defective. Should a fault develop, return the Standpipe immediately to Scottish Water for replacement.
 - (l) The use of a Standpipe which has been damaged by the Licence holder will result in a charge for its repair or replacement and removal of their Licence.
15. Failure to comply with the instructions for Standpipe use can lead to discolouration in the local distribution system, or provide the opportunity for accidents or vandalism at the site of the hydrant. Scottish Water will consider removal of the Licence should this occur.