

Central Water Authority (Irrigation) Regulations 1973

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Regulations made by the Central Water Board under section 49 of the Central Water Authority Act 1941

1. These regulations may be cited as the Central Water Authority (Irrigation) Regulations 1973.

2. 2. In these regulations –
“consumer” means any person to whom the Authority has agreed to supply water for irrigation purposes;

“waterworks” means the different systems of canals, conduits, mains, pipes, wells, dams, reservoirs, machine and other appliances of the Authority for supplying and measuring water for irrigation purposes and includes all works, structures, land, rights of way and other appurtenances held by the Authority for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these regulations.

3. (1) Any person wishing to obtain water for irrigation purposes shall make an application in the form set out in the First Schedule.

(2) Where the applicant is a lessee of the premises for which the supply is required, the application shall be made jointly by him and the owner of the land.

(3) The applicant shall furnish to the Authority such further information, including documents and site plans as the Authority may require.

(4) On receipt of an application under paragraph (1), the Authority may cause the lands to be inspected, and shall, when the Authority decides to grant the application, determine, in consultation with the applicant, the manner in which the water will be supplied.

4. The applicant shall be responsible for the construction of channels or pipelines from the delivery point.

5. Where any part of the water works passes across the land to which water is to be supplied, water may be supplied from a delivery point on that land.

6. (1) The Authority shall endeavour to supply continuously to a consumer at a minimum output of one three hundred and fiftieth of a cubic metre per second.

(2) The amount of water supplied shall be measured in such manner as the Authority may determine.

(3) The Authority shall construct, maintain and operate the required channels and pipe-lines from the Authority's reservoir to the delivery point.

- (4) (4) Several delivery points may be constructed in respect of the lands of the same applicant.

Amended by [\[GN No. 173 of 1980\]](#)

7. (1) A consumer may discontinue his supply of water by giving one week's written notice thereof to the Authority.

(2) Where a consumer -

- (a) commits an offence under these regulations;
- (b) (b) fails to pay the water charge due by him within twenty-one days of the service of a notice of claim.
- (c) (c) Fails to pay, within such time as may be specified in a notice to that effect any other sum due to the Authority under these regulations,

the Authority may discontinue to supply water in respect of any or all of the water supplies of that consumer.

(3) Where a consumer whose supply has been discontinued pursuant to this regulation wishes to restore the water supply, the Authority -

- (a) may, in the case of a discontinuance under paragraph (1), and
- (b) shall, in the case of a discontinuance under paragraph (2), require the consumer to submit a fresh application.

Amended by [\[GN No. 173 of 1980\]](#)

8. (1) Where the volume of water consumed in a month by a consumer is less than twenty five per cent of the volume of water agreed to be supplied to him by the Authority, the consumer shall be deemed to have consumed twenty five per cent of the volume of water agreed to be supplied to him by the Authority.

(2) Every consumer shall, in respect of each month, pay—

- (a) (a) the water rates specified in the Second Schedule;
and
- (b) (b) a rent of fifty rupees for any meter or measuring device installed by the Authority for his water supply.

(3) Every consumer who fails to pay his water charges within twenty one days of the date of issue of a notice of claim to that effect shall be liable to pay a surcharge of ten per cent of the amount specified in the notice.

Amended by [\[GN No. 173 of 1980\]](#)

9. Any person who -

- (a) in an application made under these regulations or in answer to a request made by the Authority under regulation 3(3), makes any false statement;

- (b) withdraws water from the water works without the consent of the Authority;
- (c) breaks, damages, tampers with or obstructs the water works;
- (d) fishes or attempts to fish in any water works without the consent of the Authority;
- (e) bathes or washes any person or thing in the water works, shall commit an offence.

10. 10. Spent

Approved by the Minister on the twelfth day of January, 1973 and ordered to come into force at once.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(Regulation 3)

CENTRAL WATER AUTHORITY

APPLICATION FOR A SUPPLY OF WATER FOR IRRIGATION PURPOSES

1. Name of applicant

 (Block Capitals)
2. Address and extent of lands to be irrigated

3. Address for delivery of accounts (if different from 2)

4. Period during which supply is required

5. Name of owner of land if applicant is a lessee

6. Crop to be cultivated

7. 7. Flow of water required per second

8. 8. Number and location of delivery points

I/We apply for a supply of water from the Authority as detailed above and I/We undertake to use and pay for the supply of water in accordance with the Central Water Authority (Irrigation) Regulations 1973.

Date

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 Signature of applicant

SECOND SCHEDULE

Regulation 8

WATER RATES

- (a) (a) In respect of surface water6
cents per cubic metre.
- (b) (b) In respect of overhead water10
cents per cubic metre.
- (c) (c) In respect of water supplied at reservoir (La Ferme/Magenta)1.5
cents per cubic metre.
- (d) (d) In respect of water supplied to the Irrigation
Authority from La Nicoliere Reservoir with the
Coming into operation of Midlands Dam -----Re.1.00 per cubic metre.

Amended by [\[GN No. 173 of 1980\]](#);[\[GN No. 27 of 1988\]](#);[\[GN No. 81 of 2003\]](#)

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