Central Water Authority (Irrigation) Regulations 1973

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THE CENTRAL WATER AUTHORITY ACT 1971
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. 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 decrees 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) Water shall be supplied continuously and the minimum output shall be one tenth of a cubic foot 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 pipelines from the Authority's reservoir to the delivery point.
(4) Several delivery points may be constructed in respect of the lands of the same applicant.

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

(2) The Authority may discontinue the water supply of any consumer -

(a) who commits an offence under these regulations;
(b) who fails to pay the water charges due by him within twenty days of the service of a notice of claim.

(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.

8. Water supplied shall be paid for at the rates specified in the Second Schedule.

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.


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

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FIRST SCHEDULE
(Regulation 3)
CENTRAL WATER AUTHORITY
APPLICATION FOR A SUPPLY OF WATER FOR IRRIGATION PURPOSES
1. Name of applicant
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(Block Capitals)

2. Address and extent of lands to be irrigated
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3. Address for delivery of accounts (if different from 2)
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4. Period during which supply is required

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

6. Crop to be cultivated

7. Flow of water required per second

8. Number and location of delivery points

9. 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 ..................................................

Signature of applicant

SECOND SCHEDULE
Regulation 8
WATER RATES

1. Water supplied from La Ferme Reservoir and Magenta Canal Rs 1.05 per 16,000 cu. ft.
2. Water supplied from all other sources - Rs 1.05 per 8,000 cu. ft.

3. (a) Consumers supplied from Magenta Canal shall pay, at the end of each year, the price in respect of the volume of water agreed to be supplied during the year irrespective of the volume actually supplied.

(b) Where the supply is interrupted for fifteen consecutive days or more for any reason not attributable to the consumer he shall pay the price resulting from the calculation of the following formula -

$$\frac{N \times A}{350}$$

where N is the number of days on which water has been supplied; and A is the amount agreed to be paid for one year's supply.