

Terms and Conditions for the Use of Metered Standpipes

1. Under no circumstances shall a Metered Standpipe be used on any hydrant marked as a 'fire hydrant' (FH).
2. The Metered Standpipe will be no larger than 1" in diameter or by agreement 40mm in diameter, as specified on the hire contract.
3. Standpipes used to take water from wash out (WO) must be to Yorkshire Water Services Limited specification and can only be provided by Aquam Water Services Limited. Any standpipe in use that has not been obtained from Aquam Water Services Limited and is therefore not an approved standpipe, will be deemed as use without consent and further action will be taken as referred to in paragraph 16 (iii) below.
4. Any party found to have been tampering with the Metered Standpipe in any way, will be subject to further action including the immediate withdrawal of the licence without a refund of the fee & additional charges.
5. Each registered standpipe will be fitted with a backflow prevention device in the form of a BS6282 double check valve.
6. Standpipes and attached equipment must be kept in a clean, well-maintained condition and disinfected prior to being connected to a wash out. All standpipes and attached equipment must be properly maintained in order to minimise the risk of contamination, backflow and water leakage. Damaged and worn equipment must not be used. You may be required to show Yorkshire Water Services Limited your schemes of ensuring standpipes are disinfected prior to use.
7. Water taken from a wash out must not be used for drinking or food preparation and should not be allowed to run to waste.
8. The user shall be responsible for the cost of repair of any damage caused to the wash out or associated apparatus while connecting, using or disconnecting the standpipe. This includes any damage to the Standpipe.
9. The user shall comply with requirements of the Road & Street Works Act and any requirements of the highway authority when using a standpipe on a wash out in "a street".
10. Yorkshire Water Services Limited / Aquam Water Services Ltd will not accept liability in respect of any loss or damage caused to the property of any person or persons wherever situate by reason of the use or operation of the wash out or standpipe, or in respect of any injury suffered by any person or persons by reason of the use or operation of the wash out, standpipe. The user, by signing the "Application for a Metered Standpipe" form, agrees to indemnify Yorkshire Water Services Limited / Aquam Water Services Ltd against all actions, claims, damages, or demands which may result in respect of any such loss, damage, or injury.
11. Yorkshire Water Services Limited and any Fire Authority retain the right to remove any standpipe or asset from the water network at any time and for any purpose. Yorkshire Water Services Limited / Aquam Water Services Ltd will not be liable for compensation claims in relation to a loss of use of supply following the removal of the apparatus.
12. Where a standpipe(s) is being used on the same site for more than one month, the customer is required to apply for a temporary or permanent metered supply for that site.
13. Any breach of these terms and conditions may result in action being taken against the Agreement holder irrespective of who was operating the standpipe at the time of the breach. It is the Agreement holder's responsibility to ensure that the terms and conditions are complied with at ALL times. Metered Standpipes can not be sub let to other companies or contractors. If a metered standpipe is found to have been sub let to a third party, action will be taken, where necessary, against the Agreement holder only who has agreed and accepted these terms and conditions.
14. You will be required to take meter readings on a monthly basis and provide the reading to Aquam Water Services Limited on 01132 471099 or YWSMeter@waterservicesltd.com. Action may be taken where a party fails to comply with their obligation to do so.
15. Metered standpipes contain a line strainer (filter) which must be maintained and kept clean. The hirer and operator of the standpipe will be liable for any costs incurred to Aquam Water Services Limited as a result of damage to the metered standpipe or wash out.
16. Yorkshire Water Services Limited reserve the right to:
 - (i) Instruct the user not to use any specific wash out,
 - (ii) Terminate any consent or agreement should the user be in breach of any of these terms and conditions,
 - (iii) Instigate prosecution proceedings pursuant to Section 174 (3) of the Water Industry Act 1991 in respect of water taken in contravention of these terms and conditions, the Water Regulations or any drought orders that may be imposed. Yorkshire Water Services Limited reserves their rights in full to take any such action.
 - (iv) Audit company vehicles using Yorkshire Water Services Limited wash out to ensure all terms and conditions are met.

Operating Wash Outs

- Clean out the wash out pit of any debris
- Spray the wash out and standpipe with disinfection spray
- Do not apply any bending or sideways load to the standpipe
- Operate the spindle at arms-length
- Always open and close the wash out in a slow and controlled manner
- Flush the wash out to clear the connection point
- Do not cross thread the outlet
- Visually inspect the standpipe to confirm it is fitted correctly
- Do not stand directly over the wash out
- If any wash out fails in operation, please report to Yorkshire Water Services Limited immediately