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POLICY

DEFINITION

IRRIGATION SYSTEM

An irrigation system (soaker system, drip watering system) shall consist of permanently installed inground water lines. All water lines shall be connected to permanently installed outlets ie: popup sprinkler heads or soaker hoses. A backflow prevention assembly approved by the City of Burlington Plumbing Inspector shall be required at the point immediately downstream of the water meter. The water meter providing water to the irrigation system shall be placed in the same location as the water meter providing domestic water.

OWNERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The owner of an irrigation system shall be responsible for all costs incurred in installing the water meter, backflow prevention assembly, or changes needed in the internal plumbing. The owner shall pay the full cost of the irrigation meter. Irrigation meters are to remain in place year round and it is the owners' responsibility to protect it from freezing or other damage. Removal of the meter, at the owners request, and reconnection shall be subject to water on/off fees.

BILLING POLICY

Irrigation accounts shall be billed monthly commencing May 1 and ending October 31. If no water use is detected any month during this period a minimum charge, based on the size of the meter, will be issued. Monthly bills will charge for potable water use only. All payments and penalties are the same as those pertaining to domestic accounts.

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