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BYLAW NO. 0713

SATURNA ISLAND WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM RATES AND REGULATION BYLAW NO. 1, 1980

**Consolidated for Public Convenience
(This bylaw is for reference purposes only)**

ORIGINALLY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 10, 1980
(Consolidated with Amending Bylaws 0993, 1140, 1344, 1484, 1634, 1707, 1912, 2137, 3331,
3680)

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CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

BYLAW NO. 0713

**A BYLAW FIXING RATES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SATURNA ISLAND
WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

WHEREAS the Capital Regional District, hereinafter referred to as the "Regional District", intends to construct, operate, and maintain a water distribution system in the Gulf Islands Electoral Area to be known as the Saturna Island Water Supply and Distribution System established by Bylaw No. 513 of the Regional District, hereinafter called "the water system";

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary and expedient that provisions be made for the regulation and management of the water system and for terms and conditions upon which water services shall be provided and for a tariff of charges for such services:

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District in open meeting assembled ENACTS as follows:

1. INTERPRETATION

- (a) The "Engineer" shall mean the Chief Engineer of the Regional District, or such other persons, professional or otherwise, as may from time to time be duly authorized by the Engineer to act in this capacity.
- (b) Schedule "A" attached hereto is the form of application for water service to be made by an applicant, Schedule "B" sets out the charges for a service connection to the water system and Schedule "C" sets out the service charges.
- (c) "Applicant" means the person applying for water service.
- (d) "Owner" means any person who is the owner or agent for the owner of any premises which are connected or capable of being connected to the water system.
- (e) "Dwelling Unit" means two or more rooms used or intended for the domestic use of one or more individuals living as a single housekeeping unit, with cooking, living, sleeping, and sanitary facilities.
- (f) "Water Connection" means the water pipe and its integral appurtenances which are placed from the water main (and generally at right angles thereto) to the owner's property line.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) No person shall obstruct or prevent the Engineer or any person duly authorized by him from carrying out any or all of the provisions of this Bylaw, nor shall any person refuse to grant the Engineer, or any person duly authorized by him, permission to inspect any water works at any reasonable time.
- (b) The Engineer may enter at all reasonable times upon any property in order to ascertain whether the regulations contained in this Bylaw are being obeyed, and no person shall obstruct or prevent him from carrying out his duties hereunder.

3. PROHIBITIONS

- (a) No person other than the Regional District shall tap or make any connection whatsoever to the water system without the written approval of the Engineer.

- (b) No person shall interfere in any way with any water system or any appurtenance thereto without the written approval of the Engineer.

4. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

- (a) The Regional District shall have the right to limit the number of connections capable of being connected to the water system.
- (b) Each owner of premises shall be responsible for the installation, repair and maintenance of all pipes and fixtures between the property line and his premises.
- (c) The Engineer shall keep records of applications for services and full descriptions of all works as constructed.

5. APPLICATION FOR WATER CONNECTION

- (a) All applications for water connection shall be made in writing by the owner of the property to which the application refers. The application shall be accompanied by a drawing showing pipe locations with dimensions from property line and buildings, ground cover over pipe and type of pipe.
- (b) All applicants for water connection shall state the use of the building to which the water is to be connected, together with legal description and location of the property to which the installation is to be made.
- (c) No application shall be deemed to have been approved until a plumbing permit has been issued.

6. CHARGE FOR NEW CONNECTION TO MAIN

When a new connection to a water main is required, the applicable charge calculated as shown in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw shall be paid by the applicant when application for service is made.

7. BILLING AND PAYMENT

- (a) User fees invoiced by the Capital Regional District are due and payable by the owner of the parcel within thirty (30) days from the date the bill is issued. A late payment charge of 2.5% of the past due amount shall be added to all delinquent water bills.
- (b) User fees shall be payable each three months as billed by the Capital Regional District.
- (c) Amounts outstanding after penalty dates will be considered arrears.
- (d) All payments received will be applied firstly against arrears, and then to current balances.

(Bylaw 3680)

8. MULTIPLE DWELLINGS

In the case of apartment houses, mobile homes, duplex houses, or houses containing more than one suite, each dwelling unit within such structure shall be considered as a separate unit and shall be charged the appropriate rate shown in Schedule "C" hereto.

9. OWNERSHIP OF WATER SYSTEM

All water pipes, connections, appurtenances, or facilities required to be placed in public highways or within Regional District rights-of-way or property, shall be the property of the Regional District.

10. PENALTIES

- (a) No person shall do any act or suffer or permit any act or thing to be done in contravention of this Bylaw.

- (b) Every person who contravenes this Bylaw by doing any act which it forbids, or omitting to do any act which it requires to be done, is guilty of an offence and is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$500.00 for a first offence and for each subsequent offence to a fine of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$1,000.00. A separate offence shall be deemed to be committed upon each day during and in which the contravention occurs or continues.
- (c) The penalties imposed under Section (b) hereof shall be in addition to and not in substitution for any other penalty or remedy imposed by this Bylaw or any other statute, law, or regulation.

11. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Saturna Island Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulation Bylaw No. 1, 1980"

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	26 th	day of	March	1980
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	26 th	day of	March	1980
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	26 th	day of	March	1980
APPROVED BY THE MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS THIS	12 th	day of	August	1980
APPROVED BY THE INSPECTOR OF MUNICIPALITIES THIS (not required)		day of		1980
RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED THIS	10 th	day of	September	1980

Original Signed _____
CHAIRMAN

Original Signed _____
SECRETARY

SCHEDULE "A"

Section 1 (b)

Bylaw No. 713

Water Application No.

Date:

Assessed Owner:

Address:

Lot:

Block:

Plan:

Connection Fee:

Use of Building:

To: Capital Regional District

The undersigned, under the terms and conditions set out in Bylaw No _____ hereby makes application for water service from the Capital Regional District at the above premises.

I agree to be subject to all Bylaws, rules, and regulations of the water system and to pay such rates as are thereby specified.

Date:

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Construction drawings attached?

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Applicant:

Yes

No

For Office Use

Engineers Approval:

Date of Inspection:

Approved: _____

NOTE: This form may be combined with, or made part of the "Plumbing Permit" issued by the Building Inspector at time of application.

SCHEDULE "B"

(Bylaw 2137)

SEWER CONNECTIONS AND CHARGES

SATURNA ISLAND WATER SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

The British Columbia Plumbing Code shall apply to all connections made to the Capital Regional District Water System, together with the conditions as set forth hereinafter:

1. Any connections not conforming to the requirements set out in the British Columbia Plumbing Code shall not be connected to the Capital Regional District Water System.
2. The connection charge for those connections to the property line shall be actual cost for the connection, calculated as follows:

(i)	<u>Engineering Costs:</u> Including survey, design, permit acquisition, layout, inspection, as-constructed drawings	\$ _____
(ii)	<u>Construction Costs:</u> Including labour, materials, equipment	\$ _____
(iii)	<u>Administration Costs:</u> At 15% of the sum of (i) + (ii).	\$ _____
	ACTUAL COST = Sum of (i) + (ii) + (iii)	\$ _____

The minimum connection charge shall be \$400.

SCHEDULE "C"

(Bylaw 3331)

**WATER USER CHARGES
SATURNA ISLAND WATER SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

Sections 1 (b) & 8

For each single family dwelling unit)
or the equivalent of a single family dwelling)
unit as established hereunder) \$325 per year

Housing unit equivalents are established as follows:

	<u>Number of Units</u>
Family Housing - each single family dwelling unit	1.00
Apartments - each apartment	1.00
Commercial Building housing one business	
up to three employees	1.00
four or more employees	2.00
Restaurants	2.00
Churches	1.00
Others	1.00