

**Arch Cape Domestic Water Supply District**  
**Dwelling Water Leak Policy**  
**Policy # 17-02 WD**

WHEREAS, the Arch Cape Domestic Water Supply District [ACDWSD] is a water conservation district, and

WHEREAS, the ACDWSD has adopted a rate structure intended to encourage water conservation, and

WHEREAS, the ACDWSD recognizes that plumbing failures beyond the control of the homeowner can result in water leaks, and

WHEREAS, it is not the intention of the ACDWSD to create a financial hardship on homeowners by assessing excess usage fees for water consumed due to a leak beyond the control of the homeowner,

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE ARCH CAPE DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT,

THAT the term "dwelling plumbing system" as used herein is defined as the plumbing system from the ACDWSD water meter to the premises dwelling and its attendant pipes, fittings and fixtures and does not include irrigation systems [Ref. ACDWSD Irrigation System Report and Leak Policy # 17-01 WD]

THAT the term "leak" as used herein is defined as a dwelling plumbing system failure beyond the control of the homeowner, resulting in unintended water consumption,

THAT the "cost of producing potable water" includes Operating Costs (total M&S) less fixed labor costs, excluding bonded debt service, for the then current budget of the ACDWSD,

THAT homeowners shall reasonably monitor water usage and timely repair dwelling plumbing systems, upon discovery by the homeowner, or notice from the ACDWSD, of any leaks,

THAT in the event of a leak resulting in excess water use charges, said excess charges may be appealed to the ACDWSD as provided in the ACDWSD Billing Appeal Policy, including a statement of when the leak was discovered along with evidence of timely repair such as a plumbing bill or parts invoice,

THAT along with other relevant evidence, consideration shall be given to homeowner history of water consumption, homeowner acts or omissions, the timeliness of repairs, the severity of the leak, and whether the homeowner was absent from the subject dwelling

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for a period of 30 days or more at the time of occurrence, without having shut off the water supply to the dwelling.

THAT it shall be the policy of the ACDWSD to bill the subject excess water consumption, as determined by the ACDWSD, at the cost of producing potable water for the ACDWSD District, and not at excess-water usage rates,

THAT this ACDWSD Water Leak Policy shall supersede the ACDWSD Policy # 13-03 Leak, adopted December 13, 2013.  
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