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REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW WATER WELLS WITHIN THE MPWMD

The following standard requirements apply to each new water well that is completed within the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) boundary, to be in compliance with MPWMD Rules & Regulations.

- 1) The well must be properly registered with the MPWMD by having the owner complete the Water Well Registration form. [Rule 52 B]
- 2) The well is required to have a water meter acceptable to the MPWMD installed upon completion of the well. [Rules 54 D, 56 C and 56 E] Water Meter Installation Standards and Guidelines are available to assist well owners. Well owners shall contact the MPWMD to verify that the water meter installation is in compliance with MPWMD Rules. [Rule 56 G]
- 3) The well must be equipped with a sounding tube for water level measurement. [Rule 59]
- 4) The owner of the well must obtain either a permit to create/establish a Water Distribution System (WDS) or a written exemption. [Rules 11, 20 A, 21A, 22]. The owner of the well must submit a pre-application form to the MPWMD. The initial fee for the pre-application is \$490. Information provided on the pre-application form is used to determine if the well qualifies for a WDS permit exemption, or if not, whether the WDS permit will be processed as a Level 1, 2, 3 or 4 permit.
- 5) If well construction or operation will result in the removal or alteration of riverbank materials or vegetation within the riparian corridor of the Carmel River, then a River Work permit is required. [Rules 124, 126, 127]

Additional information regarding water meter installations is contained in the District's "Water Meter Installation Standards and Guidelines", which is available at the MPWMD office, at <http://www.mpwmd.dst.ca.us/>, or by calling 658-5642.

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