

**Central Water Authority (Production of Drinks) (Fees and Other Charges)
Regulations 2011**

GN No. 241 of 2011

**Regulations made by the Central Water Board, with the approval of the Minister,
under section 49 of the Central Water Authority Act**

1. These regulations may be cited as the **Central Water Authority (Production of Drinks) (Fees and Other Charges) Regulations 2011.**

2. In these regulations -

"bottling premises" means premises for the manufacture and bottling, canning or packing of drinks;

"consumer" means a licensee, or a person to whom the Authority has agreed to supply water under the Central Water Authority (Water Supply for Non-Domestic Purposes) Regulations 2011, who is involved in the production of drinks;

"drink" means a non-alcoholic drink, including water, which is bottled, canned or packed;

"licensee" means a person who holds a ground water licence issued under section 7 of the Ground Water Act;

"meter" means a device which measures and records the volume of water supplied to a consumer;

"monthly return" means a return submitted to the Authority under regulation 4.

3. (1) Every consumer shall, at his own cost and to the satisfaction of the Authority, install a meter at the inlet of the bottling premises to record the volume of water used in the production of drinks.

(2) Every meter installed under paragraph (1) shall comply with such requirements as may be approved by the Authority ..

4. Every consumer shall, on or before the fifth day of every month, submit to the Authority a return of -
 - (a) the volume of water used in the production of drinks in the preceding month;
 - (b) the volume in litres, rounded to 2 decimal places where applicable, of drinks bottled, canned or packed in the preceding month,
in the form set out in the First Schedule.
5. (1) The Authority shall calculate the number of litres of water used by a consumer on the basis of the consumer's monthly return and issue a bill to the consumer.

(2) Where a consumer fails to submit a monthly return, the Authority shall calculate the number of litres of water that he has used, on the basis of the number of litres recorded by the meter at the inlet of the bottling premises.
6. (1) Every consumer shall pay the fee specified in the Second Schedule within 21 days of the date on which the bill is issued.

(2) Any payment made after 21 days shall include a surcharge of 10 per cent.

(3) Where any amount payable under this regulation is not a multiple of 10 cents, it shall be increased to the nearest multiple of 10 cents.
7. (1) No consumer shall repair or replace a meter which is defective without the prior approval of the Authority.

(2) No person shall, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, tamper or interfere with the meter or any device or installation set up to measure the volume of water used for bottling, canning or packing purposes.

(3) No person shall knowingly submit a monthly return which is false in any material particular.
8. An officer may, at reasonable times, enter the bottling premises to inspect any meter used on the premises.

9. These regulations shall come into operation on 1 January 2012.

Made by the Central Water Board on 28 December 2011 and approved by the Minister on 28 December 2011.

FIRST SCHEDULE

[Regulation 4]

MONTHLY RETURN

- (i) Name of consumer
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- (ii) Address of consumer
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- (iii) Business registration number of consumer
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- (iv) Brand name(s) of drink(s) produced
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- (v) Name of contact person
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- (vi) Telephone number of contact person
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- (vii) Volume of water as recorded by the inlet meter of the bottling premises
in respect of the month of
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- (viii) Reading at the start of the month
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- (ix) Reading at the end of the month
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- (x) Volume of water used in that month
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- (xi) Total volume in litres rounded to 2 decimal places of drinks produced
during the month
.....

Date: Signature:

SECOND SCHEDULE

[Regulation 6]

	FEE (Rs)
Rate per litre of drinks	1.50
