

L.N. 54 of 2020

**Waterworks (Amendment) (Charge Concessions)
Regulation 2020**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 37 of the Waterworks Ordinance (Cap. 102) and section 29 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1))

1. Waterworks Regulations amended

The Waterworks Regulations (Cap. 102 sub. leg. A) are amended as set out in sections 2 and 3.

2. Regulation 46AB added

Before regulation 46B—

Add

“46AB. Charge concessions for fresh water supplied for several non-domestic purposes between December 2019 and November 2020

- (1) This regulation applies in relation to the charge for supply of fresh water during the concession period for use for a purpose described in item 1(a), (d), (e) or (f) of Part 3 of Schedule 1 (*fresh water charge*).
- (2) Despite regulation 46 and subject to subregulation (3), the amount of fresh water charge is reduced by 75%.
- (3) The amount that may be reduced under subregulation (2) in relation to each meter covered by a water bill must not exceed the maximum amount calculated in accordance with the following formula—

maximum amount = \$657.68 × number of days that are covered by the water bill and that fall within the concession period.

(4) If—

- (a) the Water Authority issued, on a day before the commencement date of this regulation (***billing day***), a water bill that covered the concession period (or a part of it);
- (b) the amount of fresh water charge (or a part of it) demanded in the bill has been paid (whether before, on or after the commencement date of this regulation); and
- (c) the amount so paid is in excess of the amount of fresh water charge that should have been charged had this regulation been in force on the billing day,

the Water Authority must refund the excess payment.

(5) In this regulation—

concession period (寬免期) means the period from 1 December 2019 to 30 November 2020 (both dates inclusive);

water bill (水費單) means a water bill issued by the Water Authority for a charge for fresh water.”.

3. Schedule 1 amended

Schedule 1—

Repeal

“& 46]”

Substitute

“, 46 & 46AB]”.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Waterworks Regulations (Cap. 102 sub. leg. A) to provide for a concession on charges payable for fresh water in respect of the period from 1 December 2019 to 30 November 2020 (both dates inclusive).

2. The concession applies to the charge for fresh water supplied for construction purposes, trade purposes or several shipping purposes.