

The Township of Springwater Bottled Water in Municipal Facilities Policy

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Department: Finance
Subject: Bottle Water, Purchasing
Policy Number: A09 BO

A. Authority

The authority for the Bottled Water Policy shall be by the approval of the Council of The Township of Springwater.

B. Policy Statement

This policy will promote the reduced use of bottled water within municipal facilities and the promotion of the municipal water system.

C. Definitions

“Bottled water” means pre-packaged bottle water that is purchased by the Township or sold at municipal facilities.

“Council” means the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Springwater.

“Municipal Facility” is a municipal owned and operated facility.

“Refillable Drinking Container” means a reusable container to serve drinking water in.

“Potable water” means tap water that is fit or suitable for drinking.

“Township” means the Corporation of the Township of Springwater.

D. Purpose

The purpose of the Bottled Water Policy is to reduce the sale and purchase of bottled water at Township owned facilities, where appropriate, and where potable water is available.

Through the encouragement of this policy, the Township will be leading by example to reduce waste and protect the natural environment.

E. Scope

This policy applies to all Township of Springwater municipal facilities with respect to purchasing and use of bottled water.

F. Procedures for the Bottled Water Policy

The Township purchasing department will limit the purchase and supply of bottled water at municipal facilities. As tap water is safe, healthy, highly regulated and accessible to residents, visitors and substantially more sustainable than bottled water, the Township will encourage the consumption of tap water and the use of refillable drinking containers.

The purchase and supply of bottled water at municipal facilities will be discouraged when potable water is available.

The Township will continue to promote this policy, the awareness of municipal water and the benefits of using refillable drinking containers.

G. General

This Policy shall be administered by the Township Finance Department.

This Policy shall be referred to as the Bottled Water Policy.

This Policy shall come into force and effect on August 1, 2009 or upon entry into the New Springwater Township Administration Centre when there are proper facilities to promote this policy.

This Policy shall be reviewed when needed.