

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Kansas Department of Agriculture—Division of Water Resources

Article 16.—Flex Account

5-16-6. Multiyear flex accounts and term permits.

(a) The duration of the multiyear flex account and term permit shall be five consecutive calendar years.

(b) If water use records for a base water right are inadequate to accurately determine actual water use during any calendar year in the period used to determine the base average usage, then the actual water use for that calendar year shall be deemed to be zero.

(c) There shall be no carryover of unused quantities of water from one multiyear flex account or term permit to another multiyear flex account or term permit.

(d) No multiyear flex account shall be allowed if the multiyear flex account is inconsistent with the provisions of any intensive groundwater use control area created pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1036 through K.S.A. 82a-1040, and amendments thereto, or any local enhanced management area created pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1041, and amendments thereto.

(e) Water flowmeters shall be required under all multiyear flex account term permits and shall meet all of the following requirements:

(1) A water flowmeter meeting the requirements of the chief engineer shall be installed on each point of diversion authorized by the base water right.

(2) Each water flowmeter and the measuring chamber shall be sealed to the diversion works in a manner to ensure that the flowmeter and the measuring chamber can not be removed and reinstalled without breaking the seal.

(3) Each water flowmeter register shall be sealed in a manner to ensure that the register can not be manipulated without breaking the seal.

(4) Each replacement of a water flowmeter during the duration of a multiyear flex account shall be equipped with an anti-reverse-flow mechanism.

(f) Only an entire water right, or a portion of a water right that has been formally divided, may be deposited in a multiyear flex account. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent a multiyear flex account term permit from authorizing a subdivision of the place of use for the base water right as the place of use for the multiyear flex account.

(g) All water diverted pursuant to a term permit and the base water rights associated with the term permit shall be counted against the quantity of water deposited in the multiyear flex account.

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