

# Policy on Single Unit Bottled Water at Trent University

**Category:** Operations

**Approval:** PVP

**Responsibility:** Associate Vice-President, Student Services

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## **Definitions:**

Single Unit Bottled Water:

Drinking water (often spring water) that is put into bottles of less than 11.5 litres (3 gallons). This excludes vitamin enriched, flavored, and sparkling water. This term excludes communal water coolers.

## **Purpose/Reason for Policy:**

The policy aims to reduce environmental and social harm from commercial bottled water, by encouraging the consumption of municipal tap water on campus.

## **Scope of this Policy:**

This policy applies to all Trent University managed or contracted outlets, including but not limited to the cafeterias located in all Colleges, Trent in Oshawa, at all Trent University sanctioned events, in vending machines, the Trent University Bookstore and Pubs. This policy applies to all departments, clubs and groups and contractors affiliated with Trent University.

This policy will not apply in the case of emergencies or health and safety issues.

All new facilities at Trent University will require at least one water fountain.

## **Policy Statement:**

Trent University will not permit the sale or purchase of bottled water on University property.

## **Responsibilities**

Physical Resources Department is to install fountains in all buildings across campus as resources permit and to maintain fountains as needed.

## **Contact Officer:**

Associate Vice President, Student Services

## **Date for Next Review:**

September 2012

**Related Policies, Procedures & Guidelines**

- a) Water Policy Overview
- b) Water Bottle Communication Plan

**Policies Superseded by This Policy:**

- a) N/A