

ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 02

CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL

SECTION 1: DEFINITION.

A cross connection shall be defined as any physical or arrangement between two otherwise separate systems, one of which contains potable water from the Town of Fort Branch, Indiana water system, and the other, water from a private source, water of unknown or questionable safety, or steam, gases, or chemicals, whereby there may be a flow from one system to the other, the direction of flow depending on the pressure differential between the two systems.

SECTION 2: CROSS CONNECTIONS RESTRICTED.

No person, firm or corporation shall establish or permit to be established or maintain or permit to be maintained any cross connection. No interconnection shall be established whereby potable water from a private, auxiliary, or emergency water supply other than the regular public water supply of Fort Branch may enter the supply or distribution system of said municipality, unless such private, auxiliary, or emergency water supply and the method of connection and use of such supply shall have been approved by the Fort Branch Water Department.

SECTION 3: INSPECTIONS.

It shall be the duty of the Fort Branch Water Department to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water system where cross connections with the public water system is deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspection based on potential health hazards involved shall be as established by the Fort Branch Water Department.

SECTION 4: RIGHT TO REQUEST ACCESS AND INFORMATION.

Upon presentation of credentials, the representative of the Fort Branch Water Department shall have the right to request entry at any reasonable time to examine any property served by a connection to the public water system of Fort Branch for cross connections. On request, the owner, lessee, or occupant of any property so served shall furnish to the inspection agency any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of access or refusal of requested pertinent information shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connections.

SECTION 5: DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE; NOTICE.

The Fort Branch Water Department is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue water service to any property wherein any connection in violation of this division exists, and to take such

other precautionary measures deemed necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water system. Water service shall be discontinued only after reasonable notice is served on the owner, lessee, or occupants of the property or premises where a violation is found or suspected to exist. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the cross connection(s) has been eliminated in compliance with the provisions of this division.

SECTION 6: EMERGENCY DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE.

If it is deemed by the Fort Branch Water Department that a cross connection or an emergency endangers public health, safety, or welfare and requires immediate action, and a written finding to that effect is filed with the clerk of the Town of Fort Branch and delivered to the consumer's premises, service may be immediately discontinued. The consumer shall have an opportunity for hearing within ten days of such emergency discontinuance.

SECTION 7: BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN CONSUMERS.

All consumers using toxic or hazardous liquids, all hospitals, mortuaries, wastewater treatment plants, laboratories and all other hazardous users install and maintain a reduced-pressure-principle backflow preventer in the main water line serving each building on the premises. The backflow preventer must be installed in an easily accessible location not subject to flooding or freezing.

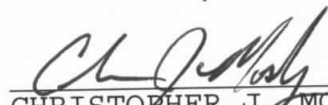
THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND AFFECT AS OF THE PASSING THIS ORDINANCE.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2007.

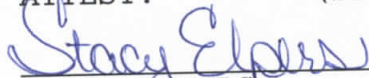
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