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## **Portion of Municipal Code, Title 13.04, Water Service System**

### **13.04.315 Definitions.**

The following definitions shall apply to this chapter:

"Backflow" means any reversal of the normal flow of water from the distribution system that may allow contamination or pollution of the public water supply and render it nonpotable.

"Backflow prevention device or assembly" means any devices or assemblies, or methods approved by the appropriate regulatory agencies for use in the prevention of backflow.

"Contamination" means an impairment of the quality of water that creates an actual hazard to the public health through poisoning or through the spread of disease by sewage, industrial fluids, wastes, etc.

"Cross-connection" means any actual or potential piping connection or structural arrangement allowing the introduction of any liquid, gas, material or substance into any potable water system, thereby rendering it nonpotable.

"Distribution system" means the network of storage facilities, pumps, pipes, valves and other appurtenances between the source and the point of delivery of potable water in the public water system.

"Nonpotable water" means potable water that has been chemically, biologically or physically altered and thereby rendered unfit for human consumption.

"Point of delivery" means the terminal end of a service connection between the distribution system and the consumer's water system at which point the city of Oregon City loses its jurisdiction of and sanitary control over the potable water supply.

"Pollution" means an impairment of the quality of water to a degree that does not create a hazard to public health but affects the aesthetic qualities of such water for domestic use.

"Potable water" means water from any source that has been investigated by the health agency having jurisdiction and has been approved for human consumption.

"Public water supply" means the distribution system supplying potable water to the city of Oregon City consumers.

"Regulatory agencies" means one or more of the following agencies whose specifications and requirements, as presented in their associated publications are accepted as industry standards:

American Water Works Association—Standards C510, C511 and Manual M14.

American Water Works Association, Pacific Northwest Section—Cross-Connection Control Manual, Seventh Edition, 2012.

Department of Human Services—OAR 333-061-0025 (9), OAR 333-061-0070, OAR 333-061-0071.

University of Southern California, Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research—Manual of Cross Connection Control, Tenth Edition, 2009.

"Service connection" means the supply piping between the distribution system main and the consumer's water system, normally terminating at the downstream end of the water meter.

"Unprotected cross-connection" means any cross-connection which may exist that allows the introduction of any liquid, gas, material or substance into the public water supply, thereby rendering it nonpotable.

(Ord. No. 21-1003, § 1(Exh. A), 2-3-2021)

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### **13.04.200 - Use of private water and city water.**

Buildings supplied with water other than that furnished by the city, may obtain city water at meter rates; provided, that no physical connection shall in any way, directly or indirectly exist between the private system and the city's water system. Approved backflow protection is required immediately behind the meter when potential for cross connection exists (wells). The backflow assembly must be tested in place before city water is turned on. When a connection is found to exist, the water will be shut off.

(Ord. No. 21-1003, § 1(Exh. A), 2-3-2021)

### **13.04.220 - Failure to comply with rules.**

Should anyone fail to comply with the rules and regulations established as conditioned to the use of water, or to pay the water rates at the time and manner hereafter provided, the water may be shut off until payment is made of the amount due, including delinquent payment penalty fees, as well as the amount for the expense of turning the water on. Failure to comply with required annual testing of backflow assemblies will also result in discontinuation of water service.

(Ord. No. 21-1003, § 1(Exh. A), 2-3-2021)

### **13.04.320 Control of cross-connections.**

The city shall establish, maintain and monitor an on-going cross-connection control program which shall be administered by the public works director and/or their designated appointee(s). Information pertaining to the policies and procedures of the program can be obtained from the public works director.

(Ord. 98-1001 (part), 1998)

(Ord. No. 21-1003, § 1(Exh. A), 2-3-2021)

### **13.04.330 Back-flow prevention assemblies.**

The public water supply shall be protected from any existing and/or future unprotected cross-connections by the installation of an approved backflow prevention assembly at or near the point of delivery according to standards and procedures established by one or more of the defined regulatory agencies. Backflow prevention shall be required in circumstances where an unprotected cross-connection condition may exist. Failure to install an approved backflow assembly or conduct a required annual test on a backflow assembly shall result in denial or discontinuation of water service.

(Ord. No. 21-1003, § 1(Exh. A), 2-3-2021)

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**13.04.340 Standard construction specifications.**

The workmanship and materials for any work performed under permits issued per this chapter shall be in accordance with the edition of the "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction," as prepared by the Oregon Chapter of American Public Works Association (APWA) and as modified and adopted by the city, in effect at the time of application. The exception to this requirement is where this chapter and the Public Works Water Distribution System Design Standards provide other design details, in which case the requirements of this chapter and the Public Works Water Distribution System Design Standards shall be complied with.

(Ord. No. 21-1003, § 1(Exh. A), 2-3-2021)