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City of Lostine

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Lostine, Oregon 97857
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ORDINANCE #156

AN ORDINANCE MAINTAINING THE FEDERAL SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT AND OREGON STATE OF OREGON RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE CROSS-CONNECTION AND BACK-FLOW VALVES.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOSTINE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title. This ordinance shall be known as the Cross-Connection - Back- Flow Ordinance of 1996.

Section 2. Purpose.

A. To protect the public potable water supply served by the City of Lostine Water from the possibility of contamination or pollution by isolating, within its customers internal distribution system, such contaminants which could backflow or backsiphon into the public water system.

B. To promote the elimination of, or control of, existing cross connections, actual or potential, between the potable water system and sources of non-potable water or other hazardous substances.

C. To provide for the maintenance of a continuing program of cross connection control which will effectively prevent the contamination or pollution of all potable water systems by cross connection.

Section 3. Authority.

A. The Federal and State of Oregon mandates pertaining to safe drinking water.

B. The City of Lostine rules and regulations pertaining to safe drinking water.

Section 3. Responsibility.

A. The City of Lostine shall be responsible for the protection of the public potable water distribution system from contamination or pollution due to the backflow or backsiphonage of contaminants or pollutants through the water service connection. If, in the judgement of the Lostine City Water Master, an approved backflow device is required at the City's water connection to any customer's premise, the water master, or his delegated agent, shall give notice in writing to said customer to install an approved backflow prevention device at each service connection to his premises. The customer shall, within ninety days, install such approved device, or devices, at his own expense, and failure or refusal, or inability on the part of the customer to comply shall constitute a ground for discontinuing water service to the premises until such device or devices have been deemed properly installed.

B. Any such inspection will be made by a certified inspector.

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Section 4. Administration.

A. The City of Lostine Water System will operate a cross connection control program, in accordance with the requirements and the approval of the Oregon Health Department.

B. Any customer or potential customer of the City of Lostine Water System, shall allow for inspections and shall maintain compliance with this Ordinance.

C. The customer may utilize the City of Lostine in assisting with the compliance of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Requirements.

A. City will provide evaluations and inspections (by a qualified inspector) to any and all new and existing customers then inform such customers by letter of its findings.

B. Correction of any problems will be mandated with the degree of hazard determining the time limits granted in repairing the problem. In the event of failure to comply, the city will inform the customer that the water will be shut off within five days. The service will not be restored until a certified inspector deems the system corrected.

C. The city will begin initial inspections, following the approval of this program by the State Health Division, during the calendar year 1997.

D. The customer shall not tamper with any backflow device and shall comply and cooperate fully with the city in its endeavor to maintain safe drinking water.

F. Any customer with a private source of water must maintain a correct backflow device as well as permission from the city before any cross connection will be approved.

Section 6. Degree of hazard.

The city recognizes the threat to the water system arising from cross connections. All threats will be classified by degree of hazard and will require the installation of approved backflow devices.

Section 7. Periodic Testing.

A. All testable backflow devices will be tested and inspected annually.

B. Testing shall be performed by a certified tester from a list provided by the city. Testing will be done at the customers expense.

C. Any backflow preventer which fails during a periodic test will be repaired or replaced. When repairs are necessary, upon completion of said repairs, the device will be retested at the customers expense. Failure to comply will result in the same penalties and time limits as described in section 5, (B) of this ordinance.

C. Testing at the customers expense, will occur more frequently if a history of non-compliance is on record.

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Section 8. Records and Reports.

A. The city will maintain the following.

1. Master files on customer's cross connection tests and inspections
2. Master files on cross connection permits.
3. Copies of permits and permit applications.
4. Copies of lists and summaries supplied to the State.
5. Initial listing of low hazard cross connections.
6. Initial listing of high hazard cross connections.

B. The city will submit an annual summary of cross connection inspections to the State Department of Human Resources, Health Division.

Section 9. Fees.

A. There will be no fees for cross connection permits, however the customer will remain responsible for the expense of testing and installation.

Section 10. Emergency Declaration.

A. An Emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Passed and adopted the 19th day of April 1996.

Denise M. Rhodes

Mayor

Attested:

Nedra Scott

Recorder