

City of Pendleton, Oregon Ordinance No. 3236

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## **ORDINANCE No. 3236**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING WATER SERVICE FOR THE CITY OF PENDLETON AND FIXING CHARGES THEREFOR; LIMITING CITY'S LIABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY IN FURNISHING WATER; MAKING CERTAIN ACTS UNLAWFUL; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; REPEALING ORDINANCES No. 2667, 2888, 2982, SECTION 15 OF ORDINANCE No. 3088 AND 3175. (As amended by Ordinance No. 3327, 3344, 3349, 3465, 3598, 3609.)**

Enacted September 7, 1982; last amended August 17, 1999.

### **SECTION 16. Cross Connections.**

A. Health Regulations. It shall be unlawful to cross-connect the City water supply and any other source of water unless such connection and source is approved by the Public Works Director.

B. Plumbing Code. Customers shall install, maintain and operate their plumbing systems using the City's water supply in accordance with the current Oregon State Plumbing Code, the City Plumbing Code, and Oregon State Board of Health regulations.

C. Swimming pools, wading pools or other such devices shall be constructed so that (1) the conduit or pipes supplying the water from the City's distribution system at the point of outlet of the supply conduit or pipe, shall be at least one foot above the top of the pool curb or deck; or (2) with a backflow prevention device approved by the Oregon State Board of Health and City.

D. Siphon or Injector Pumps. It shall be unlawful for any person to install, maintain or use any water siphon or injector type pump operation for drainage purposes which uses the water supply from the City's distribution system.

E. Lawn, garden or fire sprinkling systems.

(1) Customer lines leading to lawn, garden or fire sprinkling systems using the water supply from the City's distribution system shall contain an approved backflow prevention device to prevent back-siphonage of water that may be standing on the lawn in the event of interruption of service. Such devices shall be regularly inspected and tested annually by a certified backflow prevention service tester. Test reports shall be sent to the City and State Health Department. Backflow prevention devices shall be serviced, overhauled, or replaced whenever they are found to be defective and all costs of inspection, repair and maintenance shall be borne by the customer.

(2) No customer shall install or cause to be installed a lawn, garden or fire sprinkling system without first obtaining a permit to do so from the City. Said permit shall be issued upon payment of a permit fee at the rate established by resolution, and upon approval of the plans for the lawn, garden or fire sprinkling system. All installations shall comply with the provisions of this Ordinance, and with the current Oregon State Plumbing laws and rules and regulations concerning lawn and fire sprinkling systems.

F. Protection Against Circulating Flow. When a customer is served by more than one meter connection or water source other than the City and the connections are interconnected on the customer's premises, an approved backflow prevention device shall be installed and maintained by the customer in each of the customer's lines leading from the City's meter connections.

G. To protect and maintain the quality of Pendleton's drinking water, an approved properly installed backflow prevention device shall be installed whenever the Public Works Director finds such installation to be necessary due to an existing or potential pollution or contamination hazard. The type of service required will depend on the degree of the hazard severity.

H. Installation of Backflow Prevention Services. All backflow prevention devices shall be installed in accordance with the Manual of Cross-Connection Control and the Pacific Northwest Section, American Water Works Association manual. All installations shall be approved by the Public Works Director.

I. Inspection of Premises. The City's Water Department employees shall have the right to enter upon and inspect any water plumbing system receiving water from the City. The purpose of such inspections shall be to identify any cross connection or other existing or potential contamination hazards.

J. If a violation of this section exists and if after notification the violation is not rectified within 30 days, the city reserves the right to discontinue all water service to the premises without further notice. Service shall not be resumed until the premise complies with the ordinance or satisfactory arrangements are made and acknowledged by City in writing to comply.

(Section 16, as amended by Ordinance No. 3327, passed February 19, 1985; Ordinance No. 3344, passed November 5, 1985; and Ordinance No. 3349, passed January 21, 1986., Ordinance 3598, passed January 5, 1999)