

Enabling Ordinance for Small Water Systems

Rieth Water District

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The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the health of the people served by this water system by preventing contaminants from flowing backwards into the water supply. To accomplish this, these rules are in compliance with OAR 333-061-0070 thru 333-061-0074. This includes installation, maintenance and testing of backflow prevention devices and assemblies, as well as other rules to report backflow data to the Oregon Health Authority (Department of Human Services) every year.

Actual or potential cross connections are prohibited. If a potential exists for a cross connection and this is necessary, the water system must be protected by an appropriate backflow prevention device or assembly. Most high hazards or health hazard are specified at the above listed Oregon Administrative Rules. They should be given the highest priority by this water system.

Rieth Water District has the right to refuse or terminate water service to any customer who does not install a backflow device or assembly, when necessary, **test before July 1**, annually and repair if necessary the backflow devices on the customer's property.

Rieth Water District reserves the right to demand a backflow device at the customer's side of the water meter if access is not allowed to determine if a backflow device or assembly is necessary.

Rieth Water District will allow a reasonable time to achieve compliance with our rules, but should a backflow incident occur, the water system has the right to terminate service immediately and restore it only after compliance.

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