

SOUTH YAMHILL WATER COMPANY BYLAWS

AMMENDMENT VII – October 17 , 2006

CROSS CONNECTION PROGRAM

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1. PURPOSE:

To protect all persons on South Yamhill water line from the possibility of contamination from back-siphonage at any user's connection by requiring every user on the line to have a backflow assembly installed.

2. AUTHORITY:

The Federal State Drinking Water Act and the statutes of the State of Oregon, Administration Rules Chapters #333-61-070 to 073 state that the water supplier has the primary responsibility for the preventing of water from unapproved sources, or any other substances, from entering the public water water system. At the annual meeting of South Yamhill Water Co., 2/13/2006, a Cross-Connection Committee was designated and given authority to prepare a Cross-Connection Program which is required by the state and must be approved by the Board of Directors of South Yamhill Water Co. South Yamhill Water Co. Board of Directors has authority to make decisions on penalty or extension regarding member's failure to comply with responsibilities and requirements as described in this program.

3. RESPONSIBILITY:

It is the responsibility of all South Yamhill Water users to have a state-approved back flow device installed, maintained, and tested annually. Annual testing will be paid with South Yamhill funds. The date of the annual testing will be scheduled by the Board of Directors – during the summer or fall months. A state-certified Back Flow Assembly Tester must perform any testing. If any back flow device fails the test, the member will be informed by letter of the failure. The member must have repairs made or new state-approved back flow device installed, if necessary, within 30 days of date of letter informing them of failure of test. The member shall notify the Board of Directors when necessary repairs or installation are completed. The Cross Connection Committee will then arrange for a re-testing of the back flow device. Charges for this second test are the financial responsibility of the member, and the tester will bill them directly. All back flow assemblies will be housed in a standard vault with lid, non-biodegradable, with adequate drainage so it is not subject to flooding. The vault must have adequate spacing available for maintenance and testing to be performed. Members must inform Board of

Directors any new cross connection hazard which was not included in their Cross Connection Survey Report Form.

4. RECORDS AND REPORTS

The Cross-Connection Committee will keep records on and make available for viewing by members upon request:

- a.) Files on member's cross connection tests.
- b.) Files on member's cross connection devices.
- c.) Copies of lists and summaries supplied to the State.
- d.) Listing of low hazard cross connections.
- e.) Listing of high hazard cross connections.
- f.) Cross Connection Report Forms from all members.
- g.) Cross Connection Committee will keep Approved Backflow Prevention Assembly List, published by the Oregon Health Division, Drinking Water Section.
- h.) Copy of OAR Chapter 333, Division 061, 333-061-0070: Cross Connection requirements and Table 32 showing premises requiring isolation by an approved air gap or reduced pressure principle type of assembly health hazard and Table 33, backflow prevention methods used for premise isolation.
- i.) Copy of OAR Chapter 333, Division 061, 333-061-0071: Backflow Prevention assembly Installation and Operation Standards.
- j.) South Yamhill Water Co. will submit the following to the State:
 - Annual summary of cross connection hazards
 - Back flow device test results
 - Consumer Confidence Report

5. REQUIREMENTS:

- a.) Members must fill out and return within ten days the Cross Connection Report form mailed to them 11/17/2006. This will help to identify any cross connection hazards.
- b.) Back Flow devices installed prior to the start of this program will be permitted, if they are the type of back flow device which can be tested, and if they pass the test.
- c.) Any new connections on South Yamhill water line must have a state-approved back flow assembly installed in standard vault as described above in #3, **Responsibility**. The new member will inform Board of Directors when installation is complete, and Board of Directors will arrange to have back-flow

assembly tested by State Certified Back Flow Assembly Tester. Before new member is permitted to begin water service testing must be passed. Cost of the test will be billed to the new member on their first water bill.

6. PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

Failure of any member to comply with the requirements and responsibilities as set down in this Cross Connection Program may constitute grounds for discontinuing water service to the premises until requirements and responsibilities have been completed. If a member has extenuating circumstances which have not permitted them to comply with all requirements and responsibilities, they may apply for a time extension which, at the discretion of the South Yamhill Board of Directors, may be granted.

7. CROSS CONNECTION HAZARDS

A list of cross connection hazards and articles explaining cross connection and back-flow prevention was mailed to all members on 11/17/2006.

8. TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAM

- a) 11/17/2006 Letter mailed to all members explaining requirements and responsibilities.
- b) 11/17/2006 List of cross connection hazards & articles explaining cross connection and back flow prevention mailed to all members.
- c) 11/17/2006 Cross Connection Survey Report form mailed to all members.
- d) 11/17/2006 Completed Cross Connection Survey Report due back.
- e) Summer 2007 New back flow assemblies and vaults to be installed beginning on this date.
- f) Summer/
Fall 2007 All back flow assemblies will be tested by state-certified Back Flow Assembly Tester
- g) “ “ Members whose back flow assemblies do not pass the test have 30 days from receipt of letter informing them of this to have it repaired or replaced at which time it will be re-tested at owner's expense.
- h) Summer/
Fall months All back flow assemblies will be tested by state-certified Back Flow Assembly Tester annually.