

ORDINANCE 89-001
ORDINANCE FOR THE CONTROL OF
BACKFLOW AND CROSS-CONNECTIONS

BE IT ORDANINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF VINCENT, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Town of Vincent Water Board, operates a water supply system which serves the Town of Vincent and certain surrounding areas;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that cross-connections allowing nonpotable warer or other foreign substances to contaminate the municipal drinking water supply present an imminent health hazard to both residential and non-residential users of the public water system and the threat of significant economic loss due to disrupted water service to commercial, industrial and institutional water users and the possibility of liabilities that may be incurred; and

WHEREAS, the cost of restoring the public water supply after contamination presents the possibility of a substantial financial liability; now therefore,

Section 1. Cross-Connections Prohibited

1.1 No person shall install, cause to be installed, or maintain a cross-connection between any system of piping supplied by water from the potable water supply of the Town of Vincent and any other sources, or piping or equipment containing water or other substances of unknown or questionable quality that may degrade the quality or present a health or system hazard to the potable water supply intended for human consumption unless such connection as been controlled to the satisfaction of the public water supply.

1.2 No person shall install or maintain a water service connection to any premises where cross-connections to the consumers water system may exist unless such actual or potential cross-connections are eliminated or controlled.

1.3 From the time of the adoption of this ordinance, any new water service installed will be installed with the back-flow device. At the discretion of the Provider and the Water Superintendent, back flow devices will be installed on old services.

Section 2. Authority

2.1 The water provider shall be responsible for establishing a program of cross-connection control that will adequately protect the water supply by isolating at the service connections such contaminants or pollutants within the consumer's water system that may backflow through cross-connections into the public water supply.

2.2 If in the judgement of the water provider the installation of a cross-connection device at the service connection of any facility is required, the provider shall have the authority to require such device. Should the device be required to be larger than 3/4 inch or more than a double-check valve, the owner, customer or operator of the facility shall at his own expense be responsible for the purchase, installation, maintainance, and testing of any such device, to be approved by the Town of Vincent certified water operator.

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2.3 A failure, refusal, or inability on the part of the customer to install, repair or have tested any required device shall be grounds for discontinuance of water service to the premises until such time as these requirements for protection have been satisfactorily met.

2.4 The water provider shall formulate a written policy or manual and provide such cross-connection control information as needed to assist customers with carrying out the provisions of this ordinance.

The foregoing was first read at the meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Vincent on the 25th day of July, 1989.

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TOWN OF VINCENT CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

I certify the above and foregoing Ordinance was published by me by posting copies on the 14th day of August 1989 .
in three public places within the Town Limits of the Town of Vincent. The Ordinance was posted in the Town Hall, The Sharbutt Building (Water and Gas Office) and the United States Post Office. for a period of 5 days.

In witness thereof, I have set my hand and affixed the official corporate seal of the Town of Vincent, Alabama this day of 22 August, 1989 .

Mary Lee Reynolds
Town Clerk

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