
Charlevoix Township Cross Connection Control Ordinance

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An ordinance regulating cross connections with the public water supply system, i.e., a connection or arrangement of piping or appurtenances through which water of questionable quality, wastes or other contaminants can enter the public water supply system.

Be it ordained by The Township of Charlevoix, State of Michigan:

Section 1. That the Board of Charlevoix Township adopts by reference the Water Supply Cross Connection Rules of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, being R 325.11401 to R 325.11407 of the Michigan Administrative Code or its successors.

Section 2. That it shall be the duty of the Charlevoix Township to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply is deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspections based on potential health hazards involved shall be as established by the Township and as approved by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (or its successors).

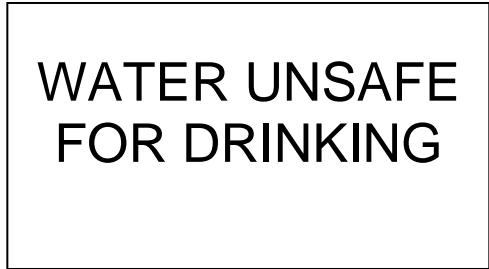
Section 3. That the representative of the Township shall have the right, with reasonable notice, to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply system of the Charlevoix Township for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof for cross connections. On request, the owner, lessees, or occupants of any property so served shall furnish Charlevoix Township's representative any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of such information or refusal of access, when requested, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connection.

Section 4. That the Township is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue water service after ten (10) business days for high hazard accounts and thirty (30) business days for low hazard accounts to any property wherein any connection in violation of this ordinance exists and to take such other precautionary measures deemed necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply system. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the cross connection(s) has been eliminated and properly inspected in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance and the Charlevoix Townships Cross Connection Control Plan.

Section 5. That all testable backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested initially upon installation, relocation and/or repair to be sure that the assembly is working properly. Subsequent testing of assemblies shall be on an annual basis for high hazard classification or every five (5) years for low hazard classification or as required by Charlevoix Township and in accordance with Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy or its successors requirements. Only individuals that hold an active ASSE 5110 tester's

certification and be a Michigan licensed master/journeyman plumber or apprentice working under the direct supervision of a Michigan licensed master or journeyman plumber shall be qualified to perform such testing. That individual(s) shall certify the results of his/her testing.

Section 6. That the potable water supply made available on the properties served by the public water supply be protected from possible contamination as specified by this ordinance and by the State of Michigan and/or Charlevoix County plumbing code. Any water outlet which could be used for potable or domestic purposes, and which is not supplied by the potable system must be labeled in a conspicuous manner as:



Section 7. That this ordinance does not supersede the state plumbing code but is supplementary to it.

Section 8. That any person or customer found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this ordinance or any written order of the Township, in pursuance thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each violation. Each day upon which a violation of the provisions of this act shall occur, shall be deemed a separate and additional violation for the purpose of this ordinance.