

BPW POLICIES MANUAL

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Introduction

Any user of water from the Holland water supply system shall comply with the City of Holland Cross Connection Control Program, which is on file at the BPW Service Center.

Policy

- A. Cross connections of the public water supply system including, but not limited to, the following are prohibited:
1. Between a public water supply system and a secondary water supply
 2. By submerged inlet
 3. Between a lawn sprinkling system and the public water supply system
 4. Between a public water supply system and piping which may contain sanitary waste or a chemical contaminant
 5. Between a public water supply system and piping immersed in a tank or vessel which may contain a contaminant
- B. The BPW shall have the authority to inspect any premises to determine the presence of an existing cross-connection. If a cross-connection is discovered, the expense of its elimination shall be that of the property owner on which such cross-connection exists. The amount of time allowed for completion of the necessary corrections shall be determined by the degree of hazard involved.
- C. Any user of the Holland water supply system shall obtain approval from the BPW for any proposed corrective action or protective device before use or installation. No person or persons shall remove a backflow prevention device without permission of the BPW.

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- D. When a secondary water supply is used in addition to the public water supply, exposed public water and secondary water piping shall be identified by distinguishing colors or metal tags. These identifying markings shall be so maintained that each pipe may be traced readily in its entirety. Failure to identify piping adequately will make it necessary to protect the public water supply at the service line valve in a manner acceptable to the BPW.

- E. The BPW shall discontinue water service after reasonable notice to any person owning any property where a cross-connection in violation of this ordinance exists. If the correction has not been made in such time as ordered, the BPW shall physically separate the Holland water supply from such piping system in such a manner that the two systems cannot again be connected by an unauthorized person. The BPW may take such other precautionary measures as necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination to the Holland water supply system. Water service to such property shall not be restored until such cross-connection has been eliminated.

- F. Any person causing contamination of the water supply due to backflow shall indemnify the BPW for any additional expenses including attorney fees and costs caused by such a backflow, or any other pertinent factors.