

## TITLE 18

WATER AND SEWERS<sup>1</sup>

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18-101. Application for service. Each prospective customer desiring water service shall be required to sign the water system's standard form of application for service or contract before service is supplied by the system. (1969 Code, § 13-201)

18-102. Equipment composing water system. The wells, machinery, reservoir tank, mains and branches, fireplugs, meters and hydrants and all other equipment now in use or that may hereafter be used as such, are hereby established as, and declared to be, the water system of the Town of Ardmore, Ala., and the City of Ardmore, Tenn. (1969 Code, § 13-202)

18-103. Map of water system. A complete map of the water system as mentioned in the preceding section shall be kept at the town hall or the city hall in the city or town clerk's office, showing the location of the pipes, main and branch and the size of each, the location of each fireplug and of each hydrant public or private. (1969 Code, § 13-203)

18-104. Opening and closing valves on pipes and mains. No person, except an employee of the water system, shall be permitted to open or close the valves upon pipes or mains. (1969 Code, § 13-204)

18-105. Maintenance of water system. Persons receiving water from the water system must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good condition and protected from frost and freeze. They must provide a cut-off in the water line beyond the water meter which may be used

to cut off the water in case of burst pipe and/or fittings until the plumber or repairman can replace same for normal operation. (1969 Code, § 13-205)

18-106. Street or yard sprinklers. Street or yard sprinklers shall not be converted into hydrants, jets, or fountains, or be allowed to run to waste in gutters and streets, or upon lawns or in yards, but must be kept closed. (1969 Code, § 13-206)

18-107. Discontinuance of service in cases of leakage or waste. The water system shall have the right and power and authority to cut off the water from any house, building, or property when the underground service pipe or service line or any part thereof leading from the water meter to the house, building, or property shall become defective or out of repair so as to cause a leakage or waste of water. (1969 Code, § 13-207)

18-108. Maintenance of the water pipes beyond the water meter shall be the responsibility of the customer. It shall not be the duty of the water system to keep in repair any underground pipe, service pipe, or service line or any valve, fitting, or any part thereof, except the main pipe generally known as the water system main, the water meter, and that part of pipe extending to the water meter from the water main. It shall be the responsibility of the water customer to maintain all pipe, fittings, valves, and all plumbing equipment in a satisfactory manner to avoid leakage and waste of unnecessary water. (1969 Code, § 13-208)

18-109. Discontinuance of water from mains for repair or extensions. The water system expressly and without notice reserves the right to cut off the water from any or all of its water mains for the purpose of making necessary repairs or extensions. (1969 Code, § 13-209)

18-110. Pollution of water supply. No person shall defile or pollute or attempt to defile or pollute in any way or manner the water in the reservoir or pumps or any pipe connected to the water system. (1969 Code, § 13-210)

18-111. Use of hydrants and water pipes restricted. No person having charge or control of any hydrant or water pipe connected to the water system shall allow or permit any other person to take, draw, or use any water from any such hydrant or water pipe without obtaining the consent and permission of the water system. (1969 Code, § 13-211)

18-112. Approval required before discontinued water service can be restored. If the water has been cut off from any premises for any reason whatever as mentioned in §§ 18-107 through 18-109 of this code, no person shall allow or cause such premises to be supplied with water from the water system

without the authority and permission of the water system board. (1969 Code, § 13-212)

18-113. Damaging meters, hydrants, etc., prohibited. No person shall mar, deface, break, or otherwise injure any of the buildings, machinery, pipe, hydrants, valves, meters, or fixtures or any other property of the water system. All persons, firms, or corporations found guilty of such act shall pay the penalty prescribed for such offense. (1969 Code, § 13-213)

18-114. Specifications for laying new water pipes in streets, etc. All water pipes of any kind or character together with their service outlets and connections that may hereafter be laid or connected in the streets, alleys, or public highways shall be laid in the following manner:

(1) They shall be placed not less than eighteen (18) inches below the surface of the street, alley, or public highway.

(2) All pipe two (2) inches or smaller in diameter shall be of copper, brass, or galvanized iron pipe.

(3) All pipes more than two (2) inches in diameter shall be of cast iron pipe, copper, or brass pipe.

(4) All service pipes from the water system mains to curb lines shall be placed on a solid foundation and shall test not less than one hundred (100) pounds working pressure.

(5) All pipes one-half inches in diameter and larger shall have swing joint connections at water main. (1969 Code, § 13-214)

18-115. License and bond required for plumbers working on water mains. All plumbers making any connection or doing any work upon the mains of the water system, pipes, or water system, shall apply and obtain a license from the town clerk or the city clerk to do such kind of work; but before receiving such license he shall give bond in the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to indemnify the water system for any injury that may result from his carelessness, incompetency, or his not conforming to the rules and regulations of the water system and the town or city in which work is done. (1969 Code, § 13-215)

18-116. Application and permit required before water connection can be made. All persons desiring to install a water connection to water mains or service lines shall, before commencing such installations, file a written application with the water system, showing the point at which they wish to form such connection and obtain a written permit from the water system for the right and authority to make such a connection. (1969 Code, § 13-216)

18-117. Issuance of water connection permits shall be restricted. No person except a licensed and registered plumber of the Town of Ardmore,

Ala., or the City of Ardmore, Tenn., as the case may be, shall receive a permit required by the preceding section for connecting to the water mains, except by an employee of the water system which may have permission to perform such work for same. (1969 Code, § 13-217)

18-118. Water connections made without a permit are prohibited. No person shall make any connection whatsoever to the water system without first obtaining the permit required in § 18-116. (1969 Code, § 13-218)

18-119. Water system board shall determine place where connections shall be made. The board of the water system shall fix the place at which the connection shall be made with the mains, shall forthwith mark it upon the map mentioned in § 18-103 of this code, and see that a meter is installed and the connection made by a licensed plumber or employee of the water system in accordance with the rules and regulations of the water system. (1969 Code, § 13-219)

18-120. Responsibility of water system for meters. The water system shall see that water meters of a uniform type are installed throughout the system on the connection of all water consumers for the purpose of regulating and measuring the amount of water that may be used by all customers from the water system as set out in § 18-102. (1969 Code, § 13-220)

18-121. Duty of water system to supply water meters. It shall be the duty of the water system to install a uniform type meter at the expense of the water system. No meter shall be furnished and installed by the consumer under any conditions.

Every consumer, whether it be residence, house trailer, living quarters of any kind, each business establishment, store, cafe, beauty or barber shop, poolroom, filling station, offices and clinics, and all other business shall be required to have a separate meter for each establishment as required by this code. (1969 Code, § 13-221)

18-122. Meters on private property. Where the meter is located on private property and is connected with the water system for service, the water system shall at all times have the right and authority, by and through its agents and employees, to go upon and enter such premises for the purpose of reading, installing the water meter or to cut off or cut on the water or make any such necessary repairs to the water meter as it deems necessary. Where any property owner or tenant refuses to allow the water system or its properly authorized agent, officer, or employee to enter such premises for the purpose above set out, the water system shall have the right and authority to cut off the water from such premises at any other convenient place, and the services shall not be reinstated until the property owner or tenant shall have caused such water

meter to be removed and placed in service at whatever place the water system may designate. The water system shall not be liable for cutting off water upon such premises. (1969 Code, § 13-222)

18-123. Unauthorized use of water is prohibited. If any person shall permit another, not a guest, employee, or boarder in his home or place of business, to use water through his meter he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to punishment for such violation. (1969 Code, § 13-223)

18-124. Record of meters installed and reading of meters. The water system shall ascertain and keep a record of all water meters now installed or may hereafter be installed and shall read such meters or cause such meters to be read and ascertain as soon as practical after the first day of each month the amount of water consumed by each and every customer during the next preceding thirty (30) days. (1969 Code, § 13-224)

18-125. Deposit required of persons desiring water service. Each person desiring to become a water customer of the water system shall before receiving water service, make a cash deposit with the system in the amount of five dollars (\$5.00) together with a fee for tapping the water main where necessary in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for a three-quarter inch service; larger service lines run for the consumer will be charged according to size desired. Arrangements shall be made and agreed upon with the water system on service lines run for long distances and various sizes of pipes. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to use water from the system until deposits are made and all necessary tapping fees and water line charges have been paid. (1969 Code, § 13-225)

18-126. Free water service is prohibited. The water system will not furnish or permit to be furnished by or from the water system any free water or free service of any kind whatsoever to itself or to any county or incorporated municipality or agency, instrumentality, person, firm, or corporation whatsoever except as may be required under the Tennessee contract. All water and services furnished from the system shall be charged for at the rates at the time established therefor. It is hereby found and determined that the reasonable value to the Town of Ardmore, Ala., and the City of Ardmore, Tenn., of the fire hydrant service of the system will be an amount equal to fifty dollars (\$50.00) per hydrant per year, which amount the Town of Ardmore, Ala., and the City of Ardmore, Tenn., agrees to pay from current funds or from proceeds of taxes in equal monthly installments as the service accrues into the gross revenue account. (1969 Code, § 13-226)

18-127. Discontinuance of service on non-payment of charges. If the account of any user of water or services supplied from the water system

shall remain unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days after such account shall become due, the water system thereupon will promptly discontinue supplying water and rendering service to such user whose account shall remain so unpaid, but upon subsequent payment of such account, including any penalties which may be provided for in the schedule of rates of the water system, the system may thereafter furnish water and services to such user until such time as his account shall again remain unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days after such account shall become due, whereupon such water and services shall again be discontinued. The schedule of rates for such water and services shall provide that all accounts for such water and services shall become due not less often than once each calendar month. (1969 Code, § 13-227)

18-128. Schedule of rates. The rates charged to customers of water by the water system for monthly consumption shall be in accordance with the schedule of rates established by the board of mayor and aldermen from time to time by ordinance.<sup>1</sup> (1969 Code, § 13-228)

18-129. When meter fails to register. When any water meter fails to register, a daily average shall be obtained from the readings taken from such meter for the next preceding month during which the meter was known to be operating correctly and this reading used as a basis for payment for water consumed through such meter for the period in which the meter is out of order and until repaired. (1969 Code, § 13-229)

18-130. Charges in case of leaks or waste. If any leak or waste is found to have occurred at any water meter box, due to defective plumbing by the water system, a water bill or charge for the current month shall be rendered to the consumer equal to the average bill or charge for the past three (3) preceding months. If any leak or waste is found on private property underground, or where such leak or waste is not plainly visible, a bill or charge for the then current month shall be rendered to the consumer at such place or the owner of the property, equal to the average bill for the past three (3) preceding months plus fifty (50) per cent of the difference between the average bill for the past three (3) preceding months and the charge for the current month if no allowances or adjustments were made; provided, however, that no such adjustment bill or charge shall exceed one hundred and fifty (150) per cent of the bill or charge for the next preceding month. Provided, however, that if such leak shall occur in any water fixture, or if it shall be otherwise visible or known to the consumer, a bill or charge for the full amount of the water used as shown by the meter reading shall be rendered against such customer and no allowance

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<sup>1</sup>A copy of the schedule of rates is available in the recorder's office.

or credit thereon shall be made. In which case the customer shall be required to pay the full amount of the bill rendered. (1969 Code, § 13-230)

18-131. Billing. The water system shall, as soon as practical after the first of each month, cause to be either mailed or delivered to the premises a statement to each consumer of water furnished by the system or to the owner of the house, building, or property where such water service is furnished. Such statement shall show quantity of water consumed by the consumer for the next preceding thirty (30) days and the amount due therefor. In case of the first billing of new accounts and final billing of all accounts where the period covered involves fractions of a month, the minimum charges shall be adjusted to a basis proportionate with the period of time during which service was furnished. Any consumer requiring service for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days and consuming less than three thousand (3,000) gallons of water during such period shall be required to pay the minimum per month charge of three dollars (\$3.00). (1969 Code, § 13-231)

18-132. Penalties. A penalty of ten (10) per cent shall be charged on all water bills based upon the rates set out in § 18-128 of this code, in the event such bill is not paid in full on or before the date shown on such bill. Should the final date for payment of the bill at the net rates fall on a Sunday or a holiday, the business day next following the final date will be held as a day of grace for delivery of payment. Net rate remittance received by mail after the time for payment of net rates will be accepted by the water system, if the incoming envelope bears United States post office date stamp of the final date for payment of the net amount or any date prior thereto. (1969 Code, § 13-232)

18-133. Reconnection and charges after service has been discontinued. Service may be discontinued for failure to pay bill, and the water shall not be turned on again until the bill or charge shall be paid in full, together with the further sum of two dollars (\$2.00) for turning the water off and on. Water service is to be restored only when all bills are paid in full and a two dollar (\$2.00) fee paid for turning the water off and on.

No member of customer family or anyone else living in the same house, building, or on such property with the consumer where the water has been cut off shall have the right to make or offer to make a deposit for water or demand that the water system turn on the water at such place as long as the delinquent customer lives thereon and the water bill or charges and the additional two dollars (\$2.00) as mentioned above has been paid. (1969 Code, § 13-233)

18-134. Effect of failure to receive a bill. Failure to receive a statement or water bill shall not entitle any person to the net rates nor shall it prevent the water system from discontinuing service or cutting off the water in accordance with § 18-133 of this code. (1969 Code, § 13-234)



18-135. Effect of acceptance of a check which is dishonored. When a check or order is delivered to the water system in payment of any water account or water bill and the same is accepted and such check or order, upon due presentation to the bank or trust company upon which it is drawn, is not paid, the city shall charge the amount of such check or order back to the water bill or water account of such person, and such water bill or water account shall be considered a delinquent account and the water system shall be authorized to discontinue service in accordance with § 18-133 of this code the same as if the check or order had not been given.

Any person who shall turn on the water after the same has been cut off for failure to pay water bill or who shall continue to use water after the fifteenth of the next month after service is rendered without having paid the bill for the preceding month, or offering to pay the same to the water system shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (1969 Code, § 13-235)

18-136. Wells. A permit is required to dig, enlarge, or repair wells within the city limits or the police jurisdiction thereof. Any person desiring to dig, drill, bore, construct, enlarge or construct any well shall make application for permit. It shall be unlawful to dig, drill, bore, construct or enlarge without a permit issued by the town or city. (1969 Code, § 13-236)

## CHAPTER 2

SEWAGE AND HUMAN EXCRETA DISPOSAL<sup>1</sup>

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18-201. Definitions. The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation of this chapter:

(1) "Accessible sewer." A public sanitary sewer located in a street or alley abutting on the property in question or otherwise within two hundred (200) feet of any boundary of said property measured along the shortest available right-of-way.

(2) "Health officer." The person duly appointed to such position having jurisdiction, or any person or persons authorized to act as his agent.

(3) "Human excreta." The bowel and kidney discharges of human beings.

(4) "Sewage." All water-carried human and household wastes from residences, buildings, or industrial establishments.

(5) "Approved septic tank system." A watertight covered receptacle of monolithic concrete, either precast or cast in place, constructed according to plans approved by the health officer. Such tanks shall have a capacity of not less than 750 gallons and in the case of homes with more than two (2) bedrooms the capacity of the tank shall be in accordance with the recommendations of the Tennessee Department of Health as provided for in its 1967 bulletin entitled "Recommended Guide for Location, Design, and Construction of Septic Tanks

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference  
Plumbing code: title 12, chapter 2.

and Disposal Fields." The liquid depth may range from 30 inches to 60 inches with the preferred liquid depth of 48 inches. For tanks of a given capacity and depth, the shape of a septic tank is unimportant. The discharge from the septic tank shall be disposed of in such a manner that it may not create a nuisance on the surface of the ground or pollute the underground water supply, and such disposal shall be in accordance with recommendations of the health officer as determined by acceptable soil percolation data.

(6) "Sanitary pit privy." A privy having a fly-tight floor and seat over an excavation in earth, located and constructed in such a manner that flies and animals will be excluded, surface water may not enter the pit, and danger of pollution of the surface of the ground or the underground water supply will be prevented.

(7) "Other approved method of sewage disposal." Any privy, chemical toilet, or other toilet device (other than a sanitary sewer, septic tank, or sanitary pit privy as described above) the type, location, and construction of which have been approved by the health officer.

(8) "Watercourse." Any natural or artificial drain which conveys water either continuously or intermittently. (1969 Code, § 8-201)

18-202. Places required to have sanitary disposal methods. Every residence, building, or place where human beings reside, assemble, or are employed within the corporate limits shall be required to have a sanitary method for disposal of sewage and human excreta. (1969 Code, § 8-202)

18-203. When a connection to the public sewer is required. Wherever an accessible sewer exists and water under pressure is available, approved plumbing facilities shall be provided and the wastes from such facilities shall be discharged through a connection to said sewer made in compliance with the requirements of the official responsible for the public sewerage system. On any lot or premise accessible to the sewer no other method of sewage disposal shall be employed. (1969 Code, § 8-203)

18-204. When a septic tank shall be used. Wherever water carried sewage facilities are installed and their use is permitted by the health officer, and an accessible sewer does not exist, the wastes from such facilities shall be discharged into an approved septic tank system.

No septic tank or other water-carried sewage disposal system except a connection to a public sewer shall be installed without the approval of the health officer or his duly appointed representative. The design, layout, and construction of such systems shall be in accordance with specifications approved by the health officer and the installation shall be under the general supervision of the department of health. (1969 Code, § 8-204)

18-205. Registration and records of septic tank cleaners, etc. Every person, firm, or corporation who operates equipment for the purpose of removing digested sludge from septic tanks, cesspools, privies, and other sewage disposal installations on private or public property must register with the health officer and furnish such records of work done within the corporate limits as may be deemed necessary by the health officer. (1969 Code, § 8-205)

18-206. Use of pit privy or other method of disposal. Wherever a sanitary method of human excreta disposal is required under § 18-202 and water-carried sewage facilities are not used, a sanitary pit privy or other approved method of disposal shall be provided. (1969 Code, § 8-206)

18-207. Approval and permit required for septic tanks, privies, etc. Any person, firm, or corporation proposing to construct a septic tank system, privy, or other sewage disposal facility, requiring the approval of the health officer under this chapter, shall before the initiation of construction obtain the approval of the health officer for the design and location of the system and secure a permit from the health officer for such system. (1969 Code, § 8-207)

18-208. Owner to provide disposal facilities. It shall be the duty of the owner of any property upon which facilities for sanitary sewage or human excreta disposal are required by § 18-202, or the agent of the owner to provide such facilities. (1969 Code, § 8-208)

18-209. Occupant to maintain disposal facilities. It shall be the duty of the occupant, tenant, lessee, or other person in charge to maintain the facilities for sewage disposal in a clean and sanitary condition at all times and no refuse or other material which may unduly fill up, clog, or otherwise interfere with the operation of such facilities shall be deposited therein. (1969 Code, § 8-209)

18-210. Only specified methods of disposal to be used. No sewage or human excreta shall be thrown out, deposited, buried, or otherwise disposed of, except by a sanitary method of disposal as specified in this chapter. (1969 Code, § 8-210)

18-211. Discharge into watercourses restricted. No sewage or excreta shall be discharged or deposited into any lake or watercourse except under conditions specified by the health officer and specifically authorized by the Tennessee Stream Pollution Control Board. (1969 Code, § 8-211)

18-212. Pollution of ground water prohibited. No sewage, effluent from a septic tank, sewage treatment plant, or discharges from any plumbing

facility shall empty into any well, either abandoned or constructed for this purpose, cistern, sinkhole, crevice, ditch, or other opening either natural or artificial in any formation which may permit the pollution of ground water. (1969 Code, § 8-212)

18-213. Enforcement of chapter. It shall be the duty of the health officer to make an inspection of the methods of disposal of sewage and human excreta as often as is considered necessary to insure full compliance with the terms of this chapter. Written notification of any violation shall be given by the health officer to the person or persons responsible for the correction of the condition, and correction shall be made within forty-five (45) days after notification. If the health officer shall advise any person that the method by which human excreta and sewage is being disposed of constitutes an immediate and serious menace to health such person shall at once take steps to remove the menace, and failure to remove such menace immediately shall be punishable under the general penalty clause for this code; but such person shall be allowed the number of days herein provided within which to make permanent correction. (1969 Code, § 8-213)

18-214. Carnivals, circuses, etc. Whenever carnivals, circuses, or other transient groups of persons come within the corporate limits such groups of transients shall provide a sanitary method for disposal of sewage and human excreta. Failure of a carnival, circus, or other transient group to provide such sanitary method of disposal and to make all reasonable changes and corrections proposed by the health officer shall constitute a violation of this section. In these cases the violator shall not be entitled to the notice of forty-five (45) days provided for in the preceding section. (1969 Code, § 8-214)

18-215. Violations. Any person, persons, firm, association, or corporation or agent thereof, who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable under the general penalty clause for this code. (1969 Code, § 8-215)

## CHAPTER 3

CROSS CONNECTIONS, AUXILIARY INTAKES, ETC.<sup>1</sup>

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18-301. Definitions. The following definitions and terms shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this chapter:

(1) "Public water supply." The waterworks system furnishing water to the City of Ardmore, Tennessee for general use and which supply is recognized as the public water supply by the Tennessee Department of Health.

(2) "Cross connection." Any physical connection whereby the public water supply is connected with any other water supply system, whether public or private, either inside or outside of any building or buildings, in such manner that a flow of water into the public water supply is possible either through the manipulation of valves or because of any other arrangement.

(3) "Auxiliary intake." Any piping connection or other device whereby water may be secured from a source other than that normally used.

(4) "Bypass." Any system of piping or other arrangement whereby the water may be diverted around any part or portion of a water purification plant.

(5) "Interconnection." Any system of piping or other arrangement whereby the public water supply is connected directly with a sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, or other device which does or may contain sewage or other waste or liquid which would be capable of imparting contamination to the public water supply.

(6) "Person." Any and all persons, natural or artificial, including any individual firm or association, and any municipal or private corporation organized or existing under the laws of this or any other state or country. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code references

Plumbing code: title 12.

Water and sewer system administration: title 18.

Wastewater treatment: title 18.

18-302. Standards. The Ardmore Public Water Supply is to comply with Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 68-221-701 through 68-221-720 as well as the Rules and Regulations for Public Water Supplies, legally adopted in accordance with this code, which pertain to cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, and interconnections, and establish an effective ongoing program to control these undesirable water uses. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)

18-303. Construction, operation, and supervision. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause a cross connection to be made, or allow one to exist for any purpose whatsoever, unless the construction and operation of same have been approved by the Tennessee Department of Health and the operation of such cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass or interconnection is at all times under the direct supervision of the Water Superintendent of the City of Ardmore, Tennessee. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)

18-304. Statement required. Any person whose premises are supplied with water from the public water supply and who also has on the same premises a separate source of water supply, or stores water in an uncovered or unsanitary storage reservoir from which the water stored therein is circulated through a piping system, shall file with the water superintendent a statement of the non-existence of unapproved or unauthorized cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections. Such statement shall also contain an agreement that no cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass, or interconnection will be permitted upon the premises. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)

18-305. Inspections required. It shall be the duty of the Ardmore Public Water Supply to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply are deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspections based on potential health hazards involved shall be established by the Water Superintendent of the Ardmore Public Water Supply and as approved by the Tennessee Department of Health. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)

18-306. Right of entry for inspections. The water superintendent or his authorized representative shall have the right to enter, at any reasonable time, any property served by a connection to the Ardmore Public Water Supply for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems therein for cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections. On request, the owner, lessee, or occupant of any property so served shall furnish to the inspection agency 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 connections. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)

18-307. Violations. The requirements contained herein shall apply to all premises served by the Ardmore Water System whether located inside or outside the corporate limits and are hereby made a part of the conditions required to be met for the city to provide water services to any premises. Such action, being essential for the protection of the water distribution system against the entrance of contamination which may render the water unsafe healthwise, or otherwise undesirable, shall be enforced rigidly without regard to location of the premises, whether inside or outside the Ardmore corporate limits.

Any person who neglects or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction therefor, shall be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and each day of continued violation after conviction shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. #60580, June 1980)