

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD

ORDINANCE NO. 17

AMENDMENT NO. 4

An Ordinance to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of Garfield Township.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD, GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

ARTICLE VII (Revised May 2015)

CROSS CONNECTIONS

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to make or maintain any cross-connection between the Township Water System and a private water supply or other water supply system. No person shall install or maintain a private well in the Township on property served by the Township Water System without first receiving a permit. Such permit shall be issued only if the County D.P.W. determines that there is no possibility of introducing contaminated water into the Township Water System.

Section 2. That the Township adopts by reference the Water Supply Cross Connection Rules of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality being R 325.11401 to R 325.11407 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

Section 3. That it shall be the duty of the Township and/or County D.P.W. 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 re-inspections based on potential health hazards involved shall be as established by the County D.P.W. and as approved by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

Section 4. That the representatives of the Township and the County D.P.W. shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the Township Water System 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 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 connection.

Section 5. Where a water supply system is maintained on property in addition to that of the Township Water System, all lines carrying Township water shall be painted, labelled, or striped in light blue and all lines carrying water from another source shall be painted, labeled, or striped brown so that each line may be readily identified and traced in its entirety. If a color code using

different colors than those above specified has been adopted and is in force at the time that the lines which have carried water from another public water system are connected to the Township Water System, such code may be continued if (1) charts plainly depicting the colors used are prominently displayed on the property, and (2) the County D.P.W. determines that the code is so maintained in practice that the lines carrying the Township Water and the lines carrying water from another source can be readily identified and traced.

Section 6. That the Township and/or County D.P.W. is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue water service after reasonable notice 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 in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 7. That all testable backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested at the time of installation, or relocation, and after any repair. Subsequent testing of devices shall be conducted at a time interval specified by the County D.P.W. and in accordance with Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements. Only ASSE International certified testers shall perform such testing. Individual(s) performing assembly testing shall certify the results of his/her testing.

Section 8. That the potable water supply made available on the properties served by the public water supply shall be protected from possible contamination as specified by this ordinance and by the Michigan Plumbing Code, current edition. 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 9. That this ordinance does not supersede the Michigan Plumbing code but is supplementary to it.

Amendment No. 4 to Garfield Township Ordinance No. 17 shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication.

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