

WESTPORT COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (“WCWD”)

ORDINANCE # 1-25

ADOPTED BY THE WCWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON APRIL 10, 2025

Section 1. Cross Connection Control General Policy

1.1 Purpose. The District finds and declares the purpose of this ordinance is as follows:

1.1.1 To protect the public potable water supply of town of Westport from the possibility of contamination or pollution due to cross connections by containing hazards at the service connection.

1.1.2 To promote the elimination or control of existing cross connections, actual or potential, between the consumers potable water system(s) and nonpotable water systems, plumbing fixtures, and and/or industrial piping systems.

1.1.3 To provide for a continuing Program of Cross-Connection Control which systematically and effectively reduce the risk of pollution or contamination of the potable water system.

1.2 Authority. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the latest version of the California State Water Resources Control Board Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook amended March 15, 2025.

1.2.1 The District has authority in the development, implementation, and enforcement of the CCCP standards.

1.3 Responsibility.

1.3.1 It shall be the responsibility of the Cross Connection Control Coordinator and the Administration-Billing Department to administer and enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

1.3.2 The District is primarily responsible for the prevention of contamination of the public potable water system. Responsibility begins at the point of origin and includes treatment facilities, distribution mains and all facilities under complete control of the District, and ends at the consumers service connection. The District shall ensure adequate backflow protection is maintained on consumer water systems connected to the potable water system.

1.3.3 The Consumer will have the responsibility of preventing contaminants from their water system from entering the potable water system as required by this ordinance and the SWRCB Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook.

1.3.4 The District will not be held responsible for any losses or damages incurred by the Consumer due to improper or proper installation, repair, or upgrade of backflow prevention assembly. The Consumer will bear all costs for installation or renovation of existing consumer plumbing as a result of any decreases in line pressure or prevention of release of pressure due to installation or upgrade of backflow prevention assembly.

Section 2.1 Definitions.

2.1.1 RESERVED

Section 3.1 Requirements.

3.1.1 The type of protection that shall be provided to prevent backflow into the public water supply system shall be commensurate with the degree of hazard, actual or potential, that exists on the water Consumer's premises as determined by the District and contracted with State Licensed Cross Connection Control Specialist.

3.1.2 Surveys

The Consumer's premises shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times to authorized representatives of the District to determine if protection of the potable water system is required at the service connection.

3.1.2 Backflow Prevention Assemblies required will be determined by the Hazard Assessment performed by the contracted Cross Connection Control Specialist.

3.1.3 Installation of Backflow Prevention Assemblies:

Approved backflow prevention assemblies shall be installed in compliance with the District installation standards, inspections and approval. It shall be the responsibility of the Consumer to install and maintain the backflow prevention assemblies.

3.1.4 Periodic Test and Maintenance of Backflow Prevention Assemblies:

Whereas all approved backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested at least once annually by a District approved backflow assembly tester, the District shall administer the backflow testing program as follows:

- A. The District will schedule the testing and notify the Consumer in advance by means of their monthly billing. The inspection, maintenance and repair charges will be passed on and paid by the Consumer on their next monthly bill.

3.1.5 Enforcement:

A. Failure to comply with the procedures of this chapter and/or failure to install, test, perform necessary maintenance, bypass, remove, or render inoperative an approved backflow prevention assembly as required by this chapter shall be a violation.

i. If the Cross Control Coordinator or Cross Connection Control Specialist determines that a customer's violation constitutes a hazard to the potable water supply, the Cross Control Coordinator or Cross Connection Control Specialist may order that water services to the noncomplying customer be discontinued.

ii. The District shall notify the customer in writing at least thirty (30) days in advance of water service termination. However, if the hazard to the potable water supply is so immediate that a delay in water service termination may pose a threat to public health and safety the Cross Control Coordinator or Cross Connection Control Specialist may terminate water service to the premises without prior written notice.

iii. The District shall restore water to the premises once the Consumer has controlled or eliminated the hazard and paid in full all applicable charges and fees.

iv. The Consumer or property owner shall be responsible for all applicable disconnection, reconnection and other fees charged by the District relating to the termination of service, and for any other reasonable costs incurred by the District associated with the termination of service and/or associated corrective cleanup costs.

Section 3.2 Acceptance:

3.2.1. The District is authorized to make all necessary and reasonable rules and policies with respect to the enforcement of this Ordinance. Such rules and policies shall be effective immediately after being filed with the District Board of Directors and Secretary to the Board.

3.2.2 Effective Date. This Ordinance shall supersede all previous cross connection control ordinances and shall take effect immediately from the latest date of adoption by the District. Following adoption, a copy of this Ordinance shall be posted on the Westport County Water District website, westportcountywaterdistrict.com, and the Community Store.