

Grange-Calamine Water Association Membership Agreement Contract

I, _____, have read and understand the following in its entirety. Section I being requirements, either by the Arkansas Department of Health or Grange-Calamine Water Association (GCWA), and Section II being recommendations.

If this is a new connection, I will sign an easement allowing GCWA the right of way thereby providing access for maintenance of the meter base. I also agree not to fence in my meter base unless I install a hand gate to provide convenient access to the meter.

Section I - Requirements

1. The system's responsibility stops at the meter. The customer is responsible for the connection from the meter to the house or building served.
2. All piping from meter to house must comply with the State Plumbing Code:
 - a. Pipe must be 160-pound test (pounds per square inch) or greater;
 - b. Pipe must be 3/4 inch or larger (inside diameter);
 - c. Pipe must be cast iron, copper, galvanized iron, or approved PVC (plastic);
 - d. Under concrete, pipe must be cast iron or type K copper;
 - e. Approved PVC will have specifications and pressure rating clearly stamped along the pipe.
 - f. Pipe must be buried a minimum of 18 inches.
3. If connection is made to an existing line from a well to the house, this line must be approved pipe and the well side must be completely severed so there can be no cross-contamination.
4. A certified inspector must approve plumbing in new houses before it can be connected to any public water system
5. The owner, a licensed plumber, or someone with a special license for this work must install the service line from meter to building.
6. Whether the owner or a plumber lays the pipe, the full connection including the entire length of the pipe must be inspected before service is started. This inspection must be done by our inspector.
7. The inspection fee is not included in the cost of connection. The inspection fee will be billed after the inspection is complete.
8. A well or other source may be used for gardening, livestock, or other uses, only through a separate system of pipes.
9. Agriculture connections must have backflow prevention and must be tested annually.
10. A shut-off valve must be in the line just outside the meter base and another at the house.

11. Customer is responsible for at their cost any replacement lids after initial meter box is installed.
12. You will be entitled to receive water to service a single dwelling, livestock and/or a garden (not exceeding one acre) on the premises.
13. All outside frostless faucets require a dual check valve to be placed between the meter and faucet.
14. If water pressure is 80lbs. or higher, a pressure reducer valve must be installed. It is the customer's responsibility to repair or replace the PRV as needed.
15. If your account becomes delinquent and your service is disconnected, your account balance as well as a reconnection fee will be required to reinstate the service.

Section II - Recommendations

1. Contact inspector 24 hours in advance of when you need an inspection.
2. Contact water office 24 hours in advance of when you want water turned on or off (if after initial construction).

NOTE: 1) Contact GCWA one week in advance of when water access is needed on new connections. The connection fee and meter deposit must be paid before a work order can be processed.

2) If the main line is not on your property, there will be additional costs billed to you after installation, the additional cost is merely any excess installation charges incurred by GCWA.

Signature

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Date
