

BACKFLOW PREVENTION AND CROSS CONNECTION POLICY
Resolution 2021-02

The Board of Directors of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company, meeting at a duly called and noticed regular meeting of the Board, at which a quorum was present, does hereby adopt this Resolution approving this policy.

Adopted

August 18, 2021

The purpose of this policy is to protect the water supply of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company from contamination or pollution from any new or existing cross connections, and to ensure that approved backflow prevention assemblies are installed, tested when put into service, and tested at least annually thereafter. In implementing this policy, Cottonwood Mutual Water Company shall be guided by the relevant provisions of the Utah Public Drinking Water Rules (UPDWR) and the Plumbing Code, as adopted by the State of Utah, which provisions are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference (collectively, the "Rules"). Cottonwood Mutual Water Company may from time to time modify or augment the Rules as applied by Cottonwood Mutual Water Company to fit local circumstances and needs.

The installation or maintenance of any unprotected cross connection that would endanger the water supply of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company is prohibited. Any such cross connection now existing or hereafter installed is hereby declared unlawful and shall be immediately protected or eliminated.

It shall be the responsibility of each shareholder to purchase, install, and arrange testing and maintenance of, any backflow prevention device/assembly required to comply with the Rules.

It shall be the responsibility of each shareholder at any premises where backflow prevention assemblies are installed to have certified surveys/inspections, and operational tests made at least once per year at the shareholder's expense. In those instances where Cottonwood Mutual Water Company deems the hazard to be great, Cottonwood Mutual Water Company may require certified surveys/inspections and testing at a more frequent interval. These tests are made according to the standards set forth in the Rules.

The control or elimination of cross connections and the criteria for determining degree of hazard and prescribing appropriate levels of protection shall be in accordance with the Rules. Determinations and enforcement shall be the responsibility of the President of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company, under the direction of the Board of Directors.


Compliance by each shareholder with this policy and the Rules, and the provision by the shareholder of appropriate backflow prevention and cross connection control in

accordance with the Rules, shall be a term and condition of water supply. Continued acceptance of service constitutes the agreement and acknowledgment by the shareholder of this condition. Water service may be refused or terminated to any premises where an unprotected cross connection may allow contamination or pollutants to backflow into the public drinking water system.


Authorized employees of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company with proper identification, shall have free access at reasonable hours of the day, to all areas of a premise or building to which drinking water is supplied for the purpose of conducting hazard assessment surveys. Water service may be refused or terminated, or maximum backflow protection may be required, to the premise where access to perform surveys is denied, where unprotected cross connections are located, or in the event that installed assemblies are not tested and maintained as required by the Rules.

Before any water service is terminated, a “due process” of notifying the shareholder and providing a reasonable time for compliance to be achieved will be observed according to the operating procedures of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company and the Rules. However, in the case of an actual backflow incident which endangers the public health, water service may be terminated immediately and not be restored until the cross connection is either eliminated or adequately protected.

Authorized and signed this 18 day of August, 2021 by the Cottonwood Mutual Water Company Board of Directors.



James Collins



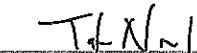
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