

Sec. 20-35. - Type and maintenance.

- (a) The customer's pipes, apparatus and equipment shall be selected, installed, used and maintained in accordance with all laws and regulations of the city, and in full compliance with all laws and governmental regulations for the maintenance operation of the customer's pipes and facilities. The customer expressly agrees not to utilize any appliance or device which is not properly constructed, controlled and projected, or which may adversely affect the water/sewer service.
- (b) The customer's pipes, apparatus and equipment shall be maintained in such condition that prevents the inflow and infiltration of ground water, surface water, and stormwater into the wastewater collection system. The customer shall keep the average wastewater flow at or about eighty (80) percent of the water consumption. Under no circumstances shall the customer's average wastewater flow exceed one hundred (100) percent of the customer's water consumption during any two (2) consecutive meter reading cycles. In the event a customer's wastewater flows exceed the limits as described above for two (2) consecutive meter-reading cycles, customer shall have ninety (90) days from the receipt of written notice by the city to correct said condition by repairing or replacing necessary pipes, appurtenances, etc., to the satisfaction of the city. Upon written request by the customer, the city may allow the wastewater flow to fluctuate between eighty (80) percent and one hundred (100) percent of the water consumption provided such request is accompanied by a detailed analysis performed by a registered professional engineer in the State of Florida, justifying why the eighty (80) percent threshold cannot be achieved.
- (c) The customer's pipes, apparatus and equipment shall be maintained in such conditions that prevent the outflow and exfiltration of wastewater into the sub-surface or groundwater. The customer shall keep the average wastewater flow at or about eighty (80) percent of the water consumption. Under no circumstances shall the customer's average wastewater flow be less than seventy (70) percent of the customer's water consumption during any two (2) consecutive meter-reading cycles. In the event a customer's wastewater flows are less than the limits as described above for two (2) consecutive meter reading cycles, customer shall have ninety (90) days from the receipt of written notice by the city to correct said condition by repairing or replacing necessary pipes, appurtenances, etc. to the satisfaction of the city.
- (d) To ensure that said repairs made to the wastewater system establish corrected conditions and the readings are not influenced by seasonal fluctuation of water table or other environmental factors, the wastewater flow must meet the thresholds established in this section for not less than four (4) consecutive months. Failure to meet this requirement shall be deemed violation and subject to enforcement action described in this section.
- (e) In the event the customer fails to meet any of the provisions of this section, the city may, at its discretion, take one (1) of the following actions:
  - (1) Discontinue the water/sewer service.
  - (2) Recoup all fines, costs, etc. imposed against the city by Broward County and/or any other agency having jurisdiction.
  - (3) Impose a fine of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per day of violation for first thirty (30) days after the ninety-day deadline. The city may increase the fine to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per day for continued violation beyond thirty (30) days. These fines shall be imposed through the code enforcement division.
  - (4) Initiate any other action, including but limited to code enforcement action, liens, and/or any other legal action deemed appropriate.

(Ord. No. 126-86, § 1(19-41.2), 9-23-86; Ord. No. 2005-049, § 1, 12-22-05; Ord. No. 2008-027, § 1, 9-25-08; Ord. No. 2011-012, § 1, 4-28-11)