

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS

## BY-LAW NO. 04-41

**BEING** a by-law to regulate cross connection to the Town's water supply in the Town of Mississippi Mills in the County of Lanark;

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mississippi Mills is empowered to enact a by-law pursuant to the provisions of Ontario Reg. 403/97 (Building Code) Section 7.6.2.1 (2) and Section 7.7.1.1 (1);

**AND WHEREAS** it is deemed expedient and necessary to regulate cross connections to the water supply within the Town of Mississippi Mills;

**AND WHEREAS** authority is vested within the Council of the Town of Mississippi Mills as per Sections 8 and 11 of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O., 2001 c.25 to exercise such regulation;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mississippi Mills enacts as follows;

### 1. DEFINITIONS

In the By-Law,

- 1.1 **"Reasonable Notice"** means at least two (2) weeks written notice.
- 1.2 **"Person"** means any natural person and any corporation registered pursuant to Section 2 (2) of the Ontario Business Corporations Act, R. O., 1990, Reg. 62 or Section 2 (1) of the Canada Business Corporations Act, R.S. 1985.
- 1.3 **"Municipality"** means the Corporation of the Town of Mississippi Mills.
- 1.4 **"Premise Isolation"** means a device used to prevent back flow into the distribution system.

### 2. PROTECTION FROM CONTAMINATION

- 2.1 No person, shall connect, cause to be connected, or allow to remain connected to the *plumbing system or water distribution system* any piping, fixture, fitting, container or appliance, in a manner which under any circumstances may allow, untreated water, waste water, any source of pollution or any other liquid chemical or substance to enter the plumbing system or water distribution system.

- 2.2 Prior to any connection to municipal service proof must be provided to the Municipality that any wells and septic systems have been decommissioned in accordance with municipal, provincial and federal requirements.

### 3. INSPECTION FOR CROSS-CONNECTIONS - ACCESS

- 3.1 Every person shall allow the municipality access, with reasonable notice, to any premises that are connected to the water distribution system for the purpose of performing inspections to locate possible cross connections. The municipality conducts a routine cross connection inspection of the *premises* at the owner's expense to be performed by any approved company or person. Such inspection will be done on a cost recovery basis.
- 3.2 Where the access is not provided by a person, a written notice by the municipality may be issued providing the time frame to allow access. If access is not provided within this time frame, the municipality may, at their discretion, shut off the supply of water to the premises until such time as the access is provided.
- 3.3 If a condition is found to exist which is contrary to Section 2 of this By-Law, the municipality may immediately carry out an inspection and may issue such notice or notices to the person as the case may be, as may be required to obtain compliance with Section 2 of the By-Law.

### 4. ORDER TO CORRECT CROSS CONNECTION

- 4.1 If the *person* to whom the municipality has issued a notice fails to comply with that notice, the municipality, at its discretion may:
- a) Give notice to person to correct the fault at their expense within a specified time period and if the notice is not complied with, the municipality may then shut off the water service or services; or
  - b) Issue an unsafe order under *unsafe requirements* in accordance with the Ontario Building Code Act. In a condition that could be hazardous to the health or safety of persons in the normal use of the building, persons outside the building or persons whose access to the building has not been reasonably prevented; or
  - c) Without notice to the consumer, shut off water service, where the Director of Roads & Public Works or his/her designate has determined, in his/her sole discretion that an immediate threat of contamination to the water system exists that may endanger public safety or health.

## 5. PREMISE ISOLATION

5.1 **Where** in the opinion of the municipality, a risk of possible contamination of the water distribution system exists, a person, on notice from the municipality, shall install premise isolation in addition to any other source of protection devices on the premise.

5.2 *Premise isolation* shall be installed:

- a) In a building of high or severe hazard in accordance with premise isolation requirements as stated in the Ontario Building Code, Part 7, Plumbing; or
- b) As specified by the municipality.

## 6. ENFORCEMENT

6.1 This By-Law shall be enforced by the By-Law Enforcement Officer or designate. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction shall be liable to a penalty pursuant to the Provincial Offences Act Chapter P.33 RSO 1990 as amended.

## 7. VALIDITY

7.1 If any section of this by-law for any reason is deemed invalid, the remaining parts of the by-law shall remain in effect until repealed.

7.2 Where provisions of this by-law conflicts with the provisions of another by-law in force in the Municipality, the provisions that establish the higher standards to protect the health, safety and welfare of the general public will prevail.

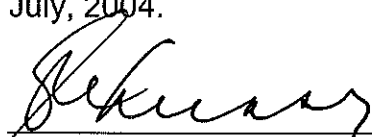
7.3 This by-law shall come into force and take effect upon its passing.

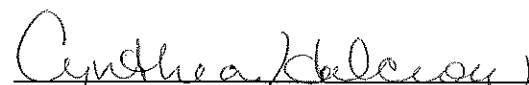
## 8. SHORT TITLE

8.1 This by-law may be referred to as the Cross Connection By-Law.

**BY-LAW READ** a first and second time this 13th day of July, 2004.

**BY-LAW READ** a third time, passed, signed and sealed in open Council this 13th day of July, 2004.

  
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J.A. (Al) Lunney, Mayor

  
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Cynthia Halcrow, Clerk