

## STANDARD SEPARATION STATEMENT FOR WATER / SEWER CONFLICTS

1. SANITARY SEWER, FORCE MAINS, AND STORM SEWERS SHOULD CROSS UNDER WATER MAINS WHENEVER POSSIBLE. SANITARY SEWERS, FORCE MAINS AND STORM SEWERS CROSSING WATER MAINS SHALL BE LAID TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM VERTICAL DISTANCE OF 18 INCHES BETWEEN THE INVERT OF THE UPPER PIPE AND THE CROWN OF THE LOWER PIPE WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

WHERE SANITARY SEWER, FORCE MAINS, STORM SEWERS MUST CROSS A WATER MAIN LESS THAN 18 INCHES VERTICAL DISTANCE, BOTH THE SEWER AND WATER MAIN SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED OF DUCTILE IRON PIPE (DIP) AT THE CROSSING. (DIP IS NOT REQUIRED FOR STORM SEWERS.) SUFFICIENT LENGTHS OF DIP MUST BE USED TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM SEPARATION OF 10 FEET BETWEEN TWO JOINTS. ALL JOINTS ON THE WATER MAIN WITHIN 20 FEET OF THE CROSSING MUST BE MECHANICALLY RESTRAINED. A MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCE OF 6 INCHES MUST BE MAINTAINED AT ALL CROSSINGS.

ALL CROSSINGS SHALL BE ARRANGED SO THAT THE SEWER PIPE JOINTS AND WATER MAIN PIPE JOINTS ARE EQUIDISTANT FROM THE POINT OF CROSSING (PIPES CENTERED ON THE CROSSING).

WHERE A NEW PIPE CONFLICTS WITH AN EXISTING PIPE WITH LESS THAN 18 INCHES VERTICAL CLEARANCE, THE NEW PIPE SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED OF DIP (EXCEPT STORM SEWERS) AND NEW PIPES SHALL BE ARRANGED TO MEET THE CROSSING REQUIREMENTS ABOVE.

2. A MINIMUM 10-FOOT HORIZONTAL SEPARATION SHALL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN ANY TYPE OF SEWER AND WATER MAIN IN PARALLEL INSTALLATIONS WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

IN CASES WHERE IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO MAINTAIN A 10-FOOT HORIZONTAL SEPARATION, THE WATER MAIN MUST BE LAID IN A SEPARATE TRENCH OR ON A UNDISTURBED EARTH SHELF LOCATED ON ONE SIDE OF THE SEWER OR FORCE MAIN AT SUCH AN ELEVATION THAT THE BOTTOM OF THE WATER MAIN IS AT LEAST 18 INCHES ABOVE THE TOP OF THE SEWER.

WHERE IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO MAINTAIN A VERTICAL DISTANCE OF 18 INCHES IN PARALLEL INSTALLATIONS, THE WATER MAIN SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED OF DIP AND THE SEWER OR THE FORCE MAIN SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED OF DIP (EXCEPT STORM SEWER) WITH A MINIMUM VERTICAL DISTANCE OF 6 INCHES. THE WATER MAIN SHOULD ALWAYS BE ABOVE THE SEWER. JOINTS ON THE WATER MAIN SHALL BE LOCATED AS FAR APART AS POSSIBLE FROM JOINTS ON THE SEWER OR FORCE MAIN (STAGGERED JOINTS).

3. ALL DIP SHALL BE PRESSURE CLASS 350 MIN.. ADEQUATE PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST CORROSION SHALL BE USED AS DETERMINED BY THE DESIGN ENGINEER.



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