

BENNER TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY
C/O SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

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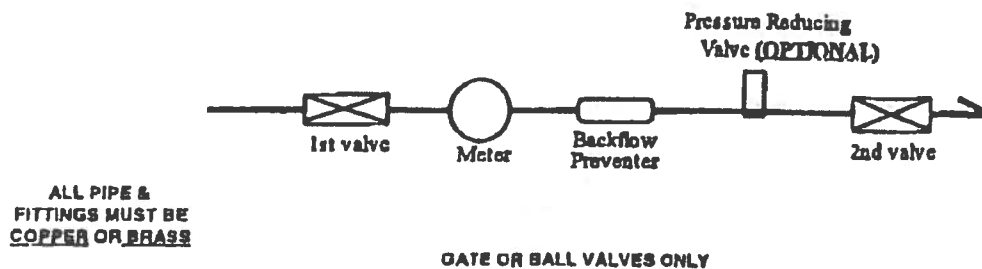
RESPONSIBILITY OF PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS
FOR
WATER METER SETTINGS AND WATER SERVICE:

1. Always plumb the meter setting so the meter will be positioned horizontally and in an area that is accessible to the meter department of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority. Even if there is a touch read meter set, the inside water meter must be maintained and read periodically.

With the above in mind, we require the following:

- A. Walking access to the inside meter
 - B. The meter cannot be behind appliances
 - C. The meter cannot be behind water softeners
 - D. Meter setting must be 6" from the wall
 - E. Meter setting must be at least 12" off of the floor
 - F. Meter setting cannot be more than 54" off of the floor
 - G. No settings in Garage area
 - H. No settings in crawl spaces
 - I. No settings under steps in Bi-Level homes & Townhouses or back side of closet or any storage area
 - J. Built in meters must have, hinged or magnetic doors with items, **A thru I** taken into consideration
 - K. Meter must be installed in a fashion to keep from freezing
2. Always notify the Authority if the water needs to be turned off at the street.
 3. Always notify the Authority any time work is to be performed within the meter setting.
 4. Never remove the water meter.
 5. Always notify the Authority to have the outside touch pad unit removed for re-siding area where touch pad is mounted.
 6. The Setting:
 - A. Brass or Copper
 - B. Ball or Gate valves (no bleed ports)

- C. Authority approved backflow preventer
 - D. If first valve fails, it must be removed and replaced
 - E. First valve must be at meter setting
 - F. Backflow preventer must be installed as close to the meter as possible
 - G. No connections are allowed in the setting before the second valve
7. The setting needs updated when at least one of the following occurs:
- A. Whenever there is work done on the plumbing in the area of the setting
 - B. Whenever the service line is replaced
 - C. Whenever the check valve or backflow preventer fails or is not present in old setting
 - D. Whenever the meter is incorrectly installed i.e. (vertical or inaccessible installations)
8. Diagram of an approved meter setting



9. The distance from the first valve thru the second valve of the above meter diagram must not exceed 36 inches for a 3/4 inch service connection. For proper meter setting distances of larger size services please call the office of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority at (814) 355-4778.
10. All commercial settings must be located in a mechanical room or in an Authority approved meter vault or pit which shall be located a maximum of five (5) feet inside the property line from the Authority's shut off.
- A. A meter pit or vault must be installed per the rules and regulations of the Benner Township Water Authority if the distance from the Authority's main to inside the envelope of the building is greater than that which exceeds three (3) pipe fitting connections underground (three (3) including the connection at the Authority's shut off)
11. Always address the issue of thermal expansion when installing a backflow preventer.
12. Always contact the Authority at (814) 355-4778 to have a touch pad removed or relocated.
13. Always contact the Authority at (814) 355-4778 for prior approval when considering relocation of your inside water meter