

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT WATER DIVISION -  
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CHAPTER 335-7-9  
CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL REQUIREMENTS

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335-7-9-.01      Applicability.

These regulations apply to all community water systems and, where indicated, to NTNC water systems.

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335-7-9-.02      Cross Connections Prohibited.

A public water system shall be designed, installed, maintained, and operated in such a manner as to prevent contamination from being introduced through any water service connection in the system.

(a) The installation or continued use of a water service connection to any premises where cross connections may exist is prohibited unless such cross connections are properly controlled.

(b) Any connection with a facility or system whereby unapproved water may enter the public water system must be approved by the Department.

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### **335-7-9-.03      Protection Required.**

A suitable backflow prevention device shall be installed on each new water service connection and on each customer water service connection replaced after January 1, 2006. Replacement of a water service connection is defined as the removal and installation of the existing customer meter and service line.

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### **335-7-9-.04      Responsibility Of The Supplier Of Water.**

(1) Community systems must have a formally adopted written cross connection control policy. This policy must meet the provisions of this chapter and shall be provided to customers on request.

(2) This policy shall include an inspection program, with records of health hazards found and corrective action taken kept at the water office for a minimum of five years. These records shall be made available to the Department upon request.

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### **335-7-9-.05      Discontinuance Of Service.**

The supplier of water shall deny or discontinue water service to a customers if a required backflow prevention device is not installed or properly maintained. Water service shall not be restored to such premises until the deficiencies have been corrected or eliminated to the satisfaction of the supplier and the Department.

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