

complete jurisdiction over all fire hydrants connected with its water system; and no person, firm or corporation may operate, use, or make connection with the system without the written authority of the [Commission] BOARD, except that no restriction shall apply to any bona fide fire department in the discharge of its duties. No person, firm, or corporation may tamper with, deface, damage, or obstruct any fire hydrant. A violation of any of the provisions of this section is a misdemeanor, punishable under Section 15-24 of this subtitle.

(c) Nothing in this section is applicable within any municipality or to any [sanitary] WATER AND SEWERAGE system operated by a municipality unless authorized in accordance with Section 15-3 of this subtitle.

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The [Commission] COUNTY shall provide for each and every property abutting upon a street or right-of-way in which a water main or sewer is laid, when service to such property is feasible, a water service pipe and sewer connection, which shall be extended as required from the water and sewer mains to the property line of the abutting lot. The water service pipe and the connection with the sewer shall be constructed by and at the expense of the [Commission] COUNTY, subject to any charge for said connection as provided in Section 15-21 of this subtitle, which charge shall be paid by all property owners at the office of the [Commission] BOARD. When any water main or sewer is declared by the [Commission] BOARD to be complete and ready for the delivery of water or the reception of sewage, every abutting property owner, after due notice, shall make a connection of all spigots or hydrants, toilets and waste drains with the water main or sewer within the time prescribed by the [Commission] BOARD. If these fixtures do not exist or are of a nature which, in the judgment of the [Commission] BOARD, is improper or inadequate, satisfactory equipment shall be installed by the owner on the premises consisting of at least one water closet and one sink or washbasin, both of which shall be properly connected with the sewer of the [Commission] COUNTY. No private water or sewerage system shall be connected to any water or sewerage system owned or operated by the [Commission] COUNTY. All private water systems discharging waste water into the [Commission] COUNTY sewerage system, and cesspools, sink drains, and privies located on properties connected to sewers provided by the [Commission] COUNTY shall be abandoned, closed, and left in a sanitary condition so that no odor or nuisance will arise therefrom. No roof or other drainage facilities shall discharge to the [Commission's sanitary] COUNTY'S WATER AND SEWERAGE facilities. Any violation of the provisions of this section is a misdemeanor punishable under Section 15-24 of this subtitle.

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