

3-11. Special provisions applicable to Prince George's County, except the City of Bowie, and portion of Montgomery County in Takoma Park.

(a) For the purpose of regulating the control and disposition of surface waters within that part of Prince George's County, except for the City of Bowie, which is within the Washington Suburban Sanitary District so as to make available, so far as possible, to the residents and property owners of [said] THE areas an efficient, operating regional service with adequate facilities, for the purpose of development of the aforesaid part of Prince George's County and of promoting the safety of life and property through control and disposition of storm and surface waters, and for the purpose of securing a more effective execution of the policy, additional authority is granted with respect to the control and disposition of storm and surface water to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

(b) Except as hereinafter specified, no storm or surface water drainage system, or part thereof, and no connection with an existing system or part thereof, shall be constructed or installed by any person, firm or corporation in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District portion of Prince George's County, except for the City of Bowie, and that part of Montgomery County in the City of Takoma Park which remains under the jurisdiction of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission with respect to storm drainage construction and maintenance under the provisions of the Storm Drainage Transfer Act (section 3-12), unless the plans and specifications therefor have first been approved by the commission. The construction, and maintenance items if any are required by the permit, shall be in conformity with the plans and specifications as approved. This subsection shall not apply to any structures installed by an individual for the protection of his home, unless such structure connects to a drainage system or part thereof subject to the commission's control or unless such structure is installed in a drainage easement theretofore established by plat or other dedication. Where under the provisions of this section a permit and approval for construction is required or was required at the time of the construction, and a storm drainage system or part thereof is or was constructed without the required permit and approval, the commission, upon ascertainment of the illegal construction, may require the owner or the party who constructed the drain, or the party who is then responsible for the drain, to bring it into conformity with the commission's requirements hereunder, or failing conformity, may require the same to be removed. A failure to comply with the commission's order shall be a violation of this section and subject the violator to the penalty provisions of subsection (k) hereof, and compliance may be enforced by injunction as provided in this [Code] ARTICLE.