

to the rules, regulations and requirements, if any, that the Commission formulates and subject to any inspections which it deems necessary. Connection of any kind may not be made with any public water main or sewer without a permit. Any connection permitted by the Commission shall be done under conditions that the Commission authorizes.

B. Control of usage. To eliminate leakage, loss of water or improper use of waterlines or sewers the Commission or its agents or employees may require changes in all plumbing, waterworks or water or sewer connections which it deems necessary. The Commission shall exercise control of the water supply at all times. In case of a shortage of water or if, for any other reason, the Commission, in the exercise of its discretion, determines that the water supply should be conserved, the consumers, upon notice from the Commission, its agents or employees, or upon notice published in one (1) newspaper published in the county for one (1) insertion, shall comply with any order passed by the Commission to conserve the water supply. any violation of the order is a misdemeanor punishable under § 113-21 of this chapter. In addition to the penalty prescribed, the Commission may turn off the water supply of any person violating the order at any time without further notice.

C. Private installations. A private or semipublic water supply or sewerage installation, intended for use of two (2) or more buildings or premises, may not be constructed in any sanitary district without the person, firm or corporation doing the work having first obtained a permit from the Commission and paid a reasonable charge for it. The plant shall then be installed, maintained and operated under rules and regulations, if any, which the Commission requires or devises. Private systems and additions to existing private systems constructed after May 31, 1976, as a condition of the permit may be required to be dedicated to the Commission at a time as, in the judgment of the Commission, public ownership of the systems and the additions is deemed to be in the best interest of the county.

D. Hydrants. The Commission shall have full and complete jurisdiction over all fire hydrants connected with any of its water systems, and a person, firm or corporation may not operate, use or make connection with them without the written authority of the Commission. These restrictions do not apply to any bona fide fire department in the discharge of its duties. A person, firm or corporation may not tamper with, deface, damage or obstruct any fire hydrant.

E. METERS AND VALVES. THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE FULL AND COMPLETE JURISDICTION OVER ALL METERS AND VALVES CONNECTED WITH ANY OF ITS SYSTEMS, AND A PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION MAY NOT TAMPER WITH, ATTEMPT TO BYPASS, OR MODIFY THEM WITHOUT THE WRITTEN AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION. A PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION MAY NOT DEFACE, DAMAGE, OR OBSTRUCT ANY SEWER OR WATER METER.