

# DIVISION 4. SALINA CODE

## CROSS CONNECTION

The definition of a **cross connection** is any physical connection or arrangement between two (2) otherwise separate piping systems, one of which contains potable water and the other which contains water or any substance of unknown or questionable quality whereby there may be flow from one system to the other.

The purpose of a **backflow prevention device** is to protect the public water supply system of the City of Salina from contamination due to backflow from any cross connection; to prohibit and eliminate all cross connections between a private water supply and the public water supply; and to provide for the maintenance of a continuing effective cross connection control program. This program shall include regularly scheduled inspections to detect and eliminate certain cross connections as well as to prevent any future backflow from other regulated cross connections. The Utilities Department is responsible for conducting the cross connection control program.

**Section 41-70.6. Testing, maintenance and repair of approved devices.,** states: It shall be the responsibility of building and premises owners to maintain all backflow preventers within the building or on the premises in good working order and to make sure no piping or other arrangements have been installed for the purpose of bypassing the backflow devices. The Utilities Department will set appropriate testing and overhaul schedules for such devices. Testing intervals shall not exceed one (1) year and overhaul intervals shall not exceed five (5) years for devices located within a building or on premises having a high degree of hazard. A building or premises having a low degree of hazard, including but not limited to one- and two- family dwellings, shall be subject to testing intervals not to exceed five (5) years and overhaul intervals not to exceed ten (10) years.

**Section 41-70.9 Protection from contaminants.,** states: Pursuant to its home rule authority and K.S.A 65-163a, the City of Salina, may refuse to deliver water to any premises where a condition exists which might lead to the contamination of the public water supply system and may continue to refuse to deliver water until the condition is corrected to the satisfaction of the City. In addition, the City may immediately terminate water service to a premise where a backflow condition exists which may be hazardous to the health of customers served by the public water supply system of the City.