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Sewer System

§101. Definitions.

GETTYSBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY or MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY — the Authority as presently or hereafter constituted, which has been created by the Mayor and the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg and to which has been referred by said Borough the specific project of sewers.

SEWER SYSTEM or SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM — the sanitary sewer system to be reconstructed, improved, operated and maintained by Gettysburg Municipal Authority, and do not include storm water sewers.

SEWAGE — household waste, liquids, human excreta, or other materials commonly known as sewage, but shall not include roof or surface waters, or discharge from ground water collection systems, exhaust steam, oils, tar, grease, gas, gasoline, benzene, other combustible gases and liquids, garbage, offal or unground garbage, insoluble solids or industrial wastes of a dangerous nature or which would interfere with treatment in the sewage treatment plant of the Borough.

SEWER MANAGER — the person, partnership or corporation from time to time placed in general charge of the sewer system by Gettysburg Municipal Authority.

LATERAL — those sections of branch sewer extending from the public street sewer to curbs or property lines.

HOUSE SEWER — that section of sewer extending from a point 5 feet outside of the inner face of the outer wall of a building vault or areaway to its connection with a sewer lateral at curb or property line.

CONNECTION — a connection or connections between the house sewer and the lateral at the curbs or property lines.

PERSON — natural persons, partnerships, organizations and corporations.

(Ord. 8/6/1951, §1)

§102. Certain Properties to be Connected to Accessible Sewers.

1. All persons owning any occupied building now erected upon premises accessible to the sewer system shall at their own expense, connect such building with the sewer system within three months after the effective date of this Part 1.

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2. All persons owning any premises accessible to the sewer system upon which a building is hereafter erected shall, at the time of the erection of such building and at their own expense, connect the same with the sewer system.
3. All persons owning any occupied building upon premises which hereafter becomes accessible to the sewer system shall, at their own expense, connect such building with the sewer system within three months after notice to do so from Borough Council.

(Ord. 8/6/1951, §2)

§103. Certain Material Not to be Discharged into Sewer System.

From and after the passage of this Part, it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge, or to permit to be discharged, into such sewer system roof or surface water, or the flow from any ground water collection system, exhaust steam or any oils, tar, grease, gas, benzine or other combustible gases or liquids, offal, or unground garbage, or to discharge insoluble solids or industrial wastes or other dangerous or harmful substances which would adversely affect the sewer collection and treatment system or the functioning thereof or the processes of sewage treatment and disposal. (Ord. 8/6/1951, §3)

§104. Conditions for Discharge of Industrial Wastes into Sewer System.

From and after the passage of this Part, it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge, or permit to be discharged, into such sewer system without written permission from the Municipal Authority, industrial wastes that are not preliminarily treated for making them reasonably harmless to the sewage system and to the processes of sewage treatment. No connections for the discharge of industrial waste into the sewer system shall be made or maintained until the consulting engineer of the Municipal Authority has determined that the waste to be discharged into the sewer system is harmless to the sewer system and the processes of sewage treatment and does not create any hazard to human or animal life or to the waters receiving the treated effluent. The Sewer Manager shall have access to all plants and buildings discharging industrial wastes into the sewer system at any reasonable time for determining whether this section is being violated. (Ord. 8/6/1951, §4)

§105. Manner of Making Connections.

No connection shall be made to the sewer system or to any lateral thereof, excepting in such manner as complies with the then existing laws and ordinances and good plumbing practices. (Ord. 8/6/1951, §5)

§106. Discontinuance of Use of Certain Receptacles.

Upon notice from the Sewer Manager to persons maintaining or using privies, cesspools, septic tanks or similar receptacles in violation of the provisions of this Part 1, such persons shall within 60 days thereafter cease such maintenance and use. Each day such a privy, cesspool, septic tank or similar receptacle is so maintained or used after 60 days from the date of such notice from the Sewer Manager shall be deemed to be a separate offense under this Part 1. (Ord. 8/6/1951, §6)

§107. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part 1 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$600; and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days. Every day that a violation of this Part 1 continues shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 8/6/1951, §7; as amended by Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985; and by Ord. 1236-99, 12/13/1999, §2)

Part 2

Sump Pump Water

§201. Connection to Storm Sewer Required.

All owners of properties having sump or other pumps which discharge water onto a street or alley in which a storm sewer line has been, or is hereafter constructed, shall, at such owner's expense, connect the same to such storm sewer within three months after written notice from Borough Council to do so. (Ord. 932-77, 11/14/1977; as amended by Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985)

§202. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part 3 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$600; and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days. Every day that a violation of this Part 3 continues shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 932-77, 11/14/1977, §3; as amended by Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985; and by Ord. 1236-99, 12/13/1999, §2)