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**Water Truck Fills**

Adopted on 04 September 2019

Replaces: New Policy

General

1.      The purpose of this policy is to detail the standards to be met by users of the Co-op water truck fill stations. These standards are provided to prevent contamination travelling from the water truck back into the Co-op system

2.      The Co-op currently owns seven water truck fill stations. All are now equipped to handle side-fill "3-inch Camlock Part C"-style sideways filling systems, rather than the old overhead gravity systems.

3.      These systems require an air gap to ensure that pressure from an over-filled water truck cannot drive potentially contaminated water back into the Co-op system.

Standard

4.      The Manitoba Plumbing Code, Section 2.6.2.1 states as follows:

"1)   Except as provided in Sentence (2), connections to potable water systems shall be designed and installed so that non-potable water or substances that may render the water non-potable cannot enter the system.

2)  A water treatment device or apparatus shall not be installed unless it can be demonstrated that the device or apparatus will not introduce substances into the system that may endanger health."
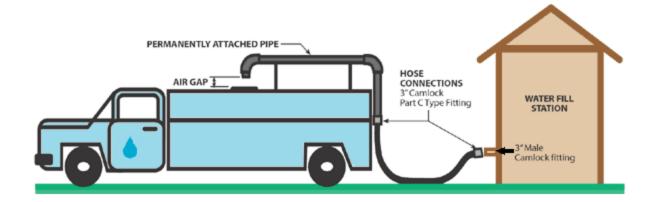
The Code goes on to offer a number of options to prevent contamination, the simplest of which is an air gap.

User must install such an air gap on their vehicle/trailer.

5.      Users must provide their own hose and Camlock fitting to be permitted to use any Co-op truck fill.

6.      The drawing below illustrates a typical air gap.



Penalty

7.      Effective 30 September 2020, all users of Co-op truck fill stations will have an air gap on their vehicles, and use it at all times when filling. Failing to comply with this will result in:

        a.      First Offence: Banned from using any Co-op truck fill for 30 days;

        b.      Second Offence: Banned from using any truck fill for 1 year; and

        c.      Third Offence: Banned permanently from using any Co-op truck fill.

8.      Bans will be imposed by cancelling the user's Flowpoint account for the applicable period of time.