

6.05 INSPECTION OF TRANSFER

The following Rules and Regulations, Section 6.05, are hereby adopted by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority effective this 15th day of March, 2011; **amended as herein listed.**

These Rules and Regulations are adopted to conform to an Ordinance enacted by Pine Grove Borough, Pine Grove Township and Washington Township requiring a sewer system to be inspected and a certification of the same to be obtained by a property owner whenever a serviced property is transferred. This Ordinance is adopted to begin the remediation of Inflow and Infiltration in the public sewer system. The Ordinance shall be referred to as the I & I Ordinance.

To the extent the following Rules and Regulations are inconsistent with current Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority Rules and Regulations, these Rules and Regulations shall control, in all respects, with respect to the I & I Ordinance.

RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATED TO INSPECTION OF TRANSFER ORDINANCE:

1. The forms application and inspection report shall be provided by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority Business Manager as amended from time to time.

2. The inspection required by the Ordinance shall be performed by a qualified independent inspection agency. Qualified independent inspection agents shall provide a video inspection on DVD with high definition and color.

The DVD Video and Inspection Report shall be provided to the Administrative Office of the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority immediately upon completion.

The video shall pan the home clearly showing the home serviced by the sewer line and video the sewer line from inside the home when possible or from a cleanout close to the home and then running the entire length of the sewer line to the main Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority line.

3. The fee for the application shall be payable at the time of submission. The fee shall be set by separate resolution and the fee covers one (1) EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) for the Video Inspection and Inspection Report, Video Review and Report, associated administrative costs, issuance of a CSS (certification of sewer status) or Notice of Failure. Additional EDU's for the same dwelling being inspected shall be a fee of \$50.00 each EDU, also payable at the time of application.

4. The property owner shall be required to make the sewer cleanout reasonably accessible to the qualified independent inspection agency. Failure to make the cleanout easily accessible shall mandate an automatic failure. Failure to keep an appointment with an inspection agency shall also be an automatic failure.

5. In the event repairs are required, the repairs shall be conducted by a qualified repair agent unless an appropriate waiver form is submitted to and accepted by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority. A list of qualified repair agents shall be provided by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority on reasonable advance request. In order for an agent to be determined a qualified repair agent; the agent shall have the following qualifications:

- a. Certificate of Liability Insurance in the sum of no less than \$50,000.00.
- b. A certificate of qualification or evidence of adequate experience as determined by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority.
- c. Give least a one year warranty on workmanship and at least a five year warranty on parts.

6. Repairs determined necessary as a result of failing a sewer inspection shall be completed within 120 days after the responsible party has been given notice of a failure.

7. Materials suitable for sewer line construction shall be only:

- a. cast iron
- b. pvc schedule 40 or comparable

8. Emergency drains: On a case by case basis, based upon the discretion of the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority inspectors if a “drain” is deemed to be an emergency drain, then the emergency drain can be exempt from the requirements of the Transfer Ordinance and would be permitted to remain intact. An “emergency drain” will be determined by the inspector. An emergency drain is generally a drain that is seldom used and only intended to be used in the cases of an emergency. An example of an emergency drain would be an unused interior floor drain in the proximity of a hot water heater or a washing machine for the purpose of gathering water in the event of a water heater failure or washing machine failure.

9. A Certificate of Sewer Status shall, in no way, be deemed to be a warranty or representation by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority that a sewer system is of any particular quality or condition. The homeowner or future homeowner may rely on the CSS for no purpose other than compliance with local Ordinance and Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority Rules and Regulations.

10. A Certificate of Sewer Status may be issued to a property owner at any time subject to the same specifications, rules and regulations in effect by local Ordinance and Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority Rules and Regulations. However, in the event there is no pending Agreement of sale for the Serviced Property, then the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority shall be under no obligation to comply with time frames contained in the Ordinance or Rules and Regulations as they relate to a sewer inspection on transfer of a Serviced Property. In all events, any Certificate of Sewer Status issued by the Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority shall not be deemed a warranty, guaranty or representation to the homeowner or future homeowner of the quality or durability of the sewer system inspected. The homeowner and future homeowner may rely on the CSS for no purpose other than compliance with local Ordinance and Pine Grove Joint Treatment Authority Rules and Regulations.