

Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's

Policy Against Cross-Connection of Storm Water-Sanitary Sewer St. Philip's side of Town

Pursuant to the authority conferred by sections 156, 195 and 296 of the Municipalities Act, 1999 the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philips has adopted the following policy on the 26th of April 2005.

1. Title

This document shall be known as the *Policy Against Cross-connection of Storm Water-Sanitary Sewer, St. Philip's side of Town.*

2. Interpretation

(a) *Council*-shall mean the Town Council of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's.

(b) *Storm Water*-shall mean water that flows across open ground or paved areas as a result of rainfall or snow or ice melting.

3. Policy Clauses

- i. That immediate notification be sent to all residents, living in the St. Philip's side of the Community, whose home is connected to the sewer, to explain the problem the Town is experiencing with the infiltration of storm water into the sanitary sewer, resulting in problems at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
- ii. That within thirty (30) days from date of notification, staff will be inspecting the sewer and storm water disposal systems in all homes connected to the sewer.
- iii. That, where necessary, staff will carry out camera inspections, with all costs being charged back to any homeowner, who is found to be guilty of cross-connecting the storm water to the sanitary sewer.
- iv. That following this inspection, homeowners who have cross-connected the sanitary sewer and storm water system will be given an "Order to Have The Cross Connection Problem Rectified" that they must find an alternative avenue to dispose of storm water.
- v. Homeowners, who have recently constructed new homes, where contractors have cross-connected the sanitary sewer and storm water, will be encouraged to go back to their contractor and have the problem immediately rectified.

4. Penalties

Failure to comply within the thirty (30) day period, to the “Order to Have the Cross Connection Problem Rectified” will result in Council having no other alternative, and will disconnect the provision of Municipal Water and Sewer Services to the subject property, until such time as the problem has been rectified, inspected and approved for reconnection.

5. Date Effective

April 26th, 2005, Motion #05-109.

6. Repeals

This policy rescinds all previous policy on this subject matter.