



the Department, generally considered to be the outlet end of the water meter and always before any unprotected branch.

V. Administration

A. The Department will operate a cross-connection control program, to include the keeping of necessary records, which fulfills the requirements of the Georgia Rules for Safe Drinking Water Section 391-3-5.13.

B. The Owner shall allow his/her property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and shall follow the provisions of the Department's program and the State's regulations if a cross-connection is discovered.

C. If the Department requires that the public supply be protected by containment, the Owner shall be responsible for water quality beyond the outlet end of the containment device and should utilize fixture outlet protection for that purpose. He/she may utilize public health officials, or personnel from the Department, or their delegated representatives, to assist him in the survey of his/her facilities and to assist him in the selection of proper fixture outlet devices, and the proper installation of these devices.

VI. Requirements

A. The Department

1. On all new residential, commercial, and industrial installations, the Department will provide onsite evaluation and/or inspection of plans in order to determine the type of backflow preventer that will be required, will issue a permit, and perform inspections. In any case, a minimum of a dual check valve will be required in any new construction.

2. For premises existing prior to the start of this program, the Department will perform evaluations and inspections of plans and/or premises and inform the owner by letter of any corrective action is deemed necessary, the method of achieving the correction, and the time allowed for the correction to be made. Ordinarily, ninety (90) days will be allowed, however, this time period may be shortened depending upon the degree of hazard involved and the history of the device(s) in question.