

City of Oviedo Municipal Sanitary Sewer System
CITY OF OVIEDO
Reclaimed Water
Procedures for Accounting and Connection

The following instructions need to be followed in order to safely connect to the City of Oviedo Reclaimed Water system.

FIRST, you must complete an **“Application for Reclaimed Water Service”** through the City of Oviedo Finance Department. The form may be found on the City web page through the Finance Department, or you can visit the Finance Office at 400 Alexandria Boulevard (building 320). Complete the form and return it to the Finance Department. This form can also be faxed to 407-971-5806.

SECOND, if you have an existing in-ground lawn irrigation system, and it is connected to the City drinking water supply, at the homeowner’s expense; you will need to have an Irrigation Company, or someone familiar with plumbing to re-plumb the Irrigation System. The Irrigation System has to be disconnected from the Potable Water supply, and reconnected to the Reclaimed Water system meter. If you are installing a new in ground Irrigation System, you will need to apply for a City of Oviedo Irrigation permit.

NEXT, the point at which the irrigation system was disconnected from the drinking water supply must be inspected by the City of Oviedo Cross Connection Control Office. **This is a plumbing inspection, which means we must physically see the plumbing work. You will need to leave the ditch open, or uncover it if you filled it in before the inspection.** The connection tee which was used to connect the drinking water to the Irrigation System must be removed or **“DEAD END CAPPED”**. Dead End Capped, means there is no gap or nipple between the cap and the body of the tee). If this disconnection/reconnection process is not done correctly, you may have Reclaimed Water flowing into your house plumbing. The City’s inspection is **MANDATORY and FREE.**

NOW, you may also remove any Backflow Prevention assembly or device from your existing Irrigation System. Backflow Prevention assemblies are required on Potable (drinking) water systems only and your newly reconnected Irrigation System is being supplied with non-drinking water (Reclaim Water).

LAST, and MOST IMPORTANT, you will need to make an appointment to have the City of Oviedo inspect the work. **THIS IS MANDATORY AND A FREE INSPECTION.** After you have completed the above steps, please call **407-971-5693** for your disconnection/reconnection inspection. After the City inspection has been completed, and if everything is in compliance, the City will unlock the Reclaimed Water meter and activate the Irrigation System.

PUBLIC EDUCATION **RECLAIMED WATER PRECAUTIONS**

This portion of our notice is to inform customers of precautions that must be followed when using Reclaimed Water.

1. **DO NOT DRINK RECLAIMED WATER!!**
2. Do NOT use Reclaimed Water to fill swimming pools, hot tubs, or wading pools. Do NOT use Reclaimed Water to make up for pool evaporation.
3. Reclaimed Water systems can NEVER be simultaneously connected to a potable water source. These two water systems must remain completely separate. There can never be an interconnection of any kind, no valve and no backflow prevention assembly or device, no swivel connection or any piping arrangement. All are prohibited.
4. Irrigation sprinkler heads may need to be adjusted so that the Reclaimed Water does not over spray into pools, on to patio furniture, or onto children's outdoor play sets.
5. Reclaimed irrigation systems do not require a backflow prevention assembly. Backflow prevention assemblies are for Potable Water use only.
6. Hose Bibbs, Spigots or other Hand Operated Connections may be used as long as they meet the FDEP Code:

Florida Administrative Code, Chapter 62-610, Reuse of Reclaimed Water and Land Application, Part III, Section 62-610.469, Application/Distribution Systems and Cross-Connection Control states;

“Except as specifically allowed in the paragraph, above ground hose bibbs (spigots or other hand operated connections) shall not be present. Hose bibbs shall be located in locked vaults, service boxes, or compartment which shall be clearly labeled as being of non-potable quality (bearing the words in English and Spanish: “Do not drink” together with the equivalent standard international symbol). Vaults, service boxes, and compartments meeting the requirement of this rule may be located above or below grade.”



