

Chapter 13.04

**PUBLIC UTILITY SYSTEMS
GENERALLY.**

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- 13.04.010 Ownership and control of public utility systems.**

The system of waterworks distribution and supply and the system of sewer collection and disposal of the Town, located within and without the corporate limits of the Town, shall be owned by the Town and maintained, controlled and managed exclusively by the Town Council for municipal purposes, the object being to supply the inhabitants thereof with water for domestic, manufacturing, irrigation and other purposes, and for the collection and disposal of sewage within the Town limits. (Prior code § 17-101)

13.04.020 Wyoming Public Works Standard Specifications, adopted.

There is adopted by the Town for the purpose of prescribing regulations for the minimum standards to safeguard life, health, property and public welfare those standard specifications known as the “Wyoming Public Works Standard Specifications,” published by the Wyoming Public Works Council, being the most recent edition, as adopted by resolution, and the same are incorporated in this section as fully as if set out in length in this section and the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the Town, save and except such portions as are modified, deleted, added or adopted from time to time by ordinance.

A. Such specifications shall be known and may be cited as “The Wyoming Public Works Standard Specifications of Encampment, Wyoming.”

B. Such specifications shall be administered by the Town department of public work under the direction of the governing body of the Town of Encampment.

C. Such specifications shall be used as a guide for minimum construction standards for the Town Department of Public Works and contractors who do work either for the Town or privately within the Town.

13.04.030 Filing and availability of codes and amendments.

At least one copy of the code adopted by Section 13.04.020 of this title and any ordinance providing for amendments, modifications, additions, or deletions in such

codes as adopted by the Town Council, shall be maintained on file in the Town Hall where they shall be available for public inspection during the normal office hours. (Prior code § 17-124; § 13.04.060)

13.04.040 Development Standards.

The Town may adopt from time to time by resolution of the governing body Development Standards which shall include specifications unique to development in the Town of Encampment. These Development Standards will be supplementary to the adoption of the Public Works Standard Specifications.

13.04.050 Management and administration of public utility systems.

In the furnishing and maintenance of the water, sewer and other related services herein provided, the Department of Public Works, under the direction of the governing body of the Town of Encampment shall superintend the installation and maintenance of the water distribution and sewer collection systems, and he shall be required to give a report of their activities to the Town Council at its regular meeting. (Prior code § 17-102; § 13.04.020)

13.04.060 Establishment of Utility Rates.

The Town of Encampment shall establish from time to time by resolution of the governing body, rates for utility and other services billed by the Town of Encampment. Such rates shall have a direct relationship to the costs associated with each enterprise and provide for the operation and maintenance of the service as well as establishment of reserves.

13.04.070 Payment of utility services.

All payments for utility services and *tap* fees shall be made to the office of the Town clerk under the provisions of Title 13.16 of this code, and no connection or tap shall be made by any person, firm, partnership or corporation within the Town to either the water distribution system or the sewer collection system without permission first having been obtained from the governing body of the Town of Encampment. (Prior code § 17-105; §13.04.050)

13.04.080 Resolution of conflicts.

In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the code adopted by this chapter and applicable provisions of the ordinances of the Town, state law, rules or regulations, the provision of the ordinance of the Town, state law, rules or regulations shall prevail and be controlling. (Prior code § 17-125 § 13.04.070)

13.04.090 Town Employee Access.

Any authorized employee of the Town of Encampment shall have free access at any reasonable time to all premises supplied with any utility service by the Town for the purpose of inspection and examination of the utility in order to protect the utility service from abuse of use and for the purpose of repair and maintenance. This access shall include the authority of an authorized Town employee to enter private property for the purpose of repair and maintenance of a Town utility. (Ord. 01-07-12-01, amended 7-07-2001; prior code § 13.04.090)

13.04.100 Violation – Penalty.

Any person or persons who violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), to which shall be added court costs, and in addition, the water may be shut off on any premises upon which a violation of this chapter is found to exist and shall not be turned on until this chapter is complied with. (Prior code § 17-109; § 13.04.80)

A. Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall become liable to the Town for any expense, loss, or damage occasioned the Town by reason of such violation.

B. Each day in which any such violations shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.