

Chapter 13A.32

PRIVATE SYSTEM

Sections:

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**13A.32.010** **When prohibited.** Whenever a public water system is connected to service a residential lot or commercial unit in compliance with this title, such residential lot or commercial unit being serviced by a private system, the private system shall be abandoned and no connection between a private system and public system shall be allowed. (Ord. 667, 1998; Ord. 405 S1 (part), 1981.)

**13A.32.020** **Permit required.**

- A. No person shall construct or commence the construction of a private water system without first obtaining a written permit from the City Clerk and having the permit approved by the Mayor or his designee. Approval shall be based on the following conditions:
1. There must be no public water system within two hundred (200) feet of the residence to be served.
  2. Any public water system within two hundred (200) feet of the residence to be served shall not have the capacity to handle the property's water needs; provided, that any decision by the Mayor or his designee that there is not sufficient capacity must be concurred in by the majority of the Council and the concurrence must be recorded in the minutes.
- B. The issuance of such a permit shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any requirement for private water systems created by Benton County or the State.
- C. Whenever a public water system become available to a residence upon a lot or parcel serviced by an existing private water system that meets State and County requirements, a direct connection may, at the election of the owner, be made to the public water system in compliance with this chapter if, at any time, the existing private water systems fails to meet State and County water quality and quantity requirements, the owner shall make connection to the public water system in the manner provided by this chapter. Any owner with property served by a private water system desiring to connect to the public water system may do so upon payment of all required fees. Such fees may be paid in partial payments in advance of connection in accordance with the terms established by the City Clerk. The properties served by the public water system may maintain a prior existing private water system or well used solely for the purpose of agriculture or irrigation. No intertie between the public water system and the private water system shall be permitted. (Ord. 667, 1998; Ord. 533, 1989; Ord. 405 S1 (part), 1981.)