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RULES AND REGULATIONS OF  
NEEDHAM SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT AND  
COMMISSIONER'S CERTIFICATE, THAT  
SAME WERE PUBLISHED IN THE  
NEEDHAM CHRONICLE.

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TOWN OF NEEDHAM

IN BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS Section 14 of Chapter 59 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1924 provides that "Said board may from time to time prescribe rules and regulations for the connection of estates and buildings with main drains and sewers, and for inspection of the materials, the construction, alteration and use of all connections and drains entering into such main drains or sewers, and may prescribe penalties, not exceeding Twenty dollars, for each violation of any such rule or regulation. Such rules and regulations shall be published at least once a week for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in the Town of Needham, if there be any, and if not, then in some newspaper published in the county of Norfolk, and shall not take effect until such publications have been made," and

WHEREAS General Laws Chapter 83 Section 10 authorized the Sewer Commissioners to make necessary regulations regarding the use of common sewers to prevent the entrance or discharge therein of any substance that may tend to interfere with the flow of sewage or the proper operation of the sewerage system and also authorizes the making of regulations for the construction and use of particular sewers and the imposition of penalties not exceeding Twenty dollars for their violation.

It is hereby ORDERED that the following be and are hereby adopted as the rules and regulations relating to sewers and sewer connections in the Town of Needham.

RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO SEWERS AND SEWER CONNECTIONS

1. Application for connecting with the sewerage system shall be made in writing upon a blank provided for that purpose, and shall be signed by the owner of the property proposed to be so connected or by his duly authorized agent or attorney and shall be filed at the office of the Sewer Commissioners.
2. In making application for a particular sewer, the cost thereof as estimated in advance by the Sewer Commissioners must be deposited with the Town Treasurer by the applicant and a receipt of the Town Treasurer for such deposit must be filed in the office of the Sewer Commissioners before work will be begun. Any excess deposited above the cost of such particular sewer will be refunded. Any additional sum above the deposit required to meet the cost thereof must be paid by the applicant before his particular sewer will be connected with the common sewer.
3. The work of constructing a particular sewer or house connection shall be done only by the Sewer Commissioners or their duly authorized agent or agents, and by no other person or persons.
4. All particular sewers or house connections shall be of such material and size, and laid at such depth and gradient and in such location as the Sewer Commissioners may determine. No particular sewer shall serve more than one building without the consent of the

Sewer Commissioners.

5. Private sewers or drains laid previous to the adoption of these rules and regulations may not be connected with the town sewerage system unless they are found upon examination to be correctly located and laid at the proper grade and to be in good condition with proper and suitable fixtures and appurtenances satisfactory to the Sewer Commissioners or their duly authorized agent or agents.
6. When the particular sewer is completed and payment in full has been made therefor, the Sewer Commissioners will issue a permit to the owner authorizing the connection of the house plumbing with the particular sewer. Said permit must be in the possession of the owner at the time the connection is made. The owner must give immediate notice to the Sewer Commissioners when said connection is made, that they or their authorized agent may inspect the same. Until said permit shall have been issued, no person shall cut into or in any way interfere with such particular sewer or allow anything to be discharged therein.
7. The cost of cleaning, maintaining and repairing all particular sewers or house connections shall be paid by the owners of the estates connected within sixty days from the date of the bill therefor.
8. No person shall be entitled to have any portion of the payment refunded on account of any non-use of the sewer, or for any other reason, except as stated in rule two.
9. No exhaust from steam engines nor blow-off from boilers shall be connected with, and no surface water, roof drainage, gasoline, explosive fluids or any substance which may be liable to injure the sewers, interfere with any of its uses, or obstruct its flow shall be discharged in the town sewerage system.
10. The Sewer Commissioners may at any time require such grease traps or ventilating pipes to be installed as it may deem necessary for the proper maintenance of the said particular sewer or of the common sewers. In every case where any restaurant, boarding-house, hotel or business of a similar nature is carried on, which provides for twenty or more persons, a suitable grease trap must be installed.
11. Garages and other establishments where gasoline is used and which are connected with the common sewers must be supplied with a suitable trap or separator satisfactory to the Sewer Commissioners. An appliance having a storage capacity of 35 cubic feet or over which has an outlet near the top of the receiving basin with a pipe (without clean-out inside of the basin) extending from said outlet to near the bottom of basin, so that the discharge will be always from the bottom, will be accepted. The outlet pipe shall have a water seal of not less than two feet, properly vented to prevent siphonage, and the swamp for catching sand shall be not less than two feet below the mouth of the discharge pipe. Such settling basins can be made of metal or masonry and placed either inside or outside of the building, as the Sewer Commissioners shall determine. Such basins shall be freely ventilated by connection with the outer air. Waste pipes from all fixtures (including sinks) which can be used for disposal of gasoline shall discharge into the basin. Traps or separators must be kept in good condition and shall be cleaned frequently. Grease, oil, etc., from such traps or separators shall be disposed of in a safe manner. A plan showing an approved type of trap or separator can be seen at the Office of the Sewer Commissioners.
12. Should any particular sewer become obstructed or otherwise

fail to work, notice thereof by the owner, his agent or attorney must be forthwith given to the Sewer Commissioners or their authorized agent or agents.

13. Whoever violates any of the provisions of these rules and regulations may be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence.

14. These rules may be rescinded or modified or added to by the Sewer Commissioners at any time when in their opinion such action is for the best interests of the Town of Needham.

It is further ORDERED that the foregoing rules and regulations be published once a week for three successive weeks in the Needham Chronicle, a newspaper published in the Town of Needham, the first publication to be made on Saturday next following the date of this order.

It is further ORDERED that the foregoing rules and regulations shall take effect at noon on the first Monday next following the last date of said publication.

A.D. 1926.

Read and adopted this

*Ninth* day of *February*

*George A. Lord.*

*W. E. Hammond.*

*Edward Leaver*

Sewer Commissioners of the Town of Needham.

Needham, Mass. March 4th, 1926.

We hereby certify that the foregoing rules and regulations with the orders thereon were published in the Needham Chronicle in the issues of February 13th, 20th and 27th, 1926, and that a copy of the same with this return thereon filed with the Town Clerk — *March 5<sup>th</sup>* 1926.

*George A. Lord.*

*W. E. Hammond.*

*Edward Leaver*

Sewer Commissioners of the Town of Needham.

*Received and filed  
March 5, 1926*

*Clarence E. Stone  
Town Clerk.*