

CONTRACTOR NOTICE

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

We strongly urge you to have every contractor and/or subcontractor performing work on your project, read and initial this notice. The following list represents costly problems or violations that commonly occur during or after construction. Our goal is to make everyone aware of these problems and hopefully reduce unnecessary delays, expenses, and fines.

In order to perform new construction or repair work on any private sanitary or water service, the following must be completed before work may commence:

- **A \$25,000 license & permit bond made out to the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District must be received and approved for new construction or repair work.**
 - **A Fox Metro W.R.D. permit (connection permit for new construction or a repair permit) is required.**
 - **An inspection (performed by Fox Metro) must be scheduled 24 hours prior to any work in order to check status of permit.**
1. All sanitary sewer main construction must have an ILEPA permit and plan approval letter on file at Fox Metro Water Reclamation District prior to commencing. Please provide our office with 48-hour notification to verify this before starting construction. If construction does not commence within two (2) days of the initial notice, start notification must be resubmitted.
 2. All new sanitary construction must be securely plugged and maintained to prevent unnecessary flow or discharge into the existing sanitary system. The plug(s) may only be removed after permission has been obtained from Fox Metro's Engineering Department and all construction drainage has been properly removed.
 3. All private sanitary sewer service connections (6" or 8" pipe) must have a connection permit from Fox Metro Water Reclamation District, and are to be inspected by Fox Metro. Please call (630) 301-6811 to schedule inspections 24 hours from starting construction. No service pipe shall be installed until all proposed mains have been tested and approved by Fox Metro and a final recorded subdivision plat is submitted.
 4. All domestic water service installations (except for the Village of Oswego and the United City of Yorkville) are to be inspected by Fox Metro. **Any/all final connections to any building, made by any plumber or excavator, shall also be inspected by Fox Metro.**
 5. All sanitary manholes are to be sealed (chimney & barrels) and vacuum tested. Any disruption of these manholes will break the seal(s), requiring a costly resealing and retesting process, usually

paid for by the developers because the responsible party is rarely found. Please stay clear of all manholes.

6. Contractors are using the sanitary sewer system to drain newly excavated basements by pumping into the service line or directly into a nearby manhole. During heavy rain events this will cause the system to backup into occupied basements creating damage and endangering the health and safety of others. Heavy fines and fees will be levied for these violations of Fox Metro W.R.D. Ordinance #800.
7. **Ductile iron & cast iron pipe is not allowed for the use of gravity sewers in the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District.** Ductile iron or cast iron pipe may be used in the construction of “casings” or “sleeves” around PVC carrier pipes, as well as in the construction of pump station piping and force mains.

For questions regarding permitting and new construction call Engineering at (630) 301-6882. For questions regarding inspections, construction, or to report violations or open manholes, please call Field Engineering at (630) 301-6811.