

Lake County Department of Utilities
Revisions to the Rules and Regulations
2025
Executive Summary

The Lake County Department of Utilities has completed its annual review of our Rules and Regulations. As a result of our review there were several changes to the document to correct minor errors, such as typographic errors and minor clarifications, and more importantly to better define the way the Utilities Department does business.

1. Page 1-18, Section 1, 1.08. Charge copies for rules and regulations. Delete 1.08 charge for copies of rules and regulations. This was removed in Section 7 under fees, per prosecutor's office.
2. Page 1-39, Section 1, 1.36. Administration. Section F and G, removed "90 days or more". Removed reference to 90 day threshold so we can certify any delinquent amount.
3. Page 1-70, Form 1.39 D. Replace water and / or sewer billing request form. Removed reference to 90 day threshold so we can certify any delinquent amount.
4. Page 1-51, Section 1. 1.40. AA. Temporary Water Service Rental Meters. Change from 3 years to 12 months. Change was made to eliminate the limited amounts of rental meters available.
5. Page 1-53, Section 1. 1.42 Fire Protection Service. Modified last sentence of backflow prevention of fire to have a double check detector backflow.
6. Page 1-55, Section 1, 1.45 C. Deleted section C. We no longer allow partial lateral extensions.
7. Page 2-11, Section 2.13. Backflow preventers and enclosures. Change double check backflow preventer to double check detector check. The fire lines are unmetered. The double check detector check would detect fire flow, system checks, leaks and unauthorized use. All water should be metered.
8. Section 2, Table of Contents. Delete 2.02 polyethylene encasement 2-5. LCDU went to CL 53 ductile iron pipe.
9. Page 1-45, Section 2, 2-15. Bedding and Backfill. Added verbiage per local jurisdiction requirements. (Job specific)
10. Page 2-7, Section 2. Tapping sleeves and valves. Changed the word "sleeve" to the word "tee".

11. Page 2-5, Section 2. Polyethylene Encasement. Delete the entire section. We no longer require it since we changed to thicker ductile iron pipe (CL 53).
12. Table of Contents, Section 2. Add figure 2.22.2 Flexible trench and bedding.
13. Page 4-4, Section 4. DD Universal Waste. Add aerosol cans, fluorescent lights, oil-based paints and stains, paint-related waste (e.g., caulk, joint compound, wood filler, putty); pesticides, fertilizers, antifreeze, mercury-containing items (including thermometers and manometers) and batteries (alkaline, carbon zinc, lead-acid, lithium ion, nickel-metal hydride).
14. Page 4-4, Section 4. Policies. Add “Universal waste can be dropped off for recycling by Lake County residents only, on the north side of the baler building in the universal waste collection area. We will also accept non-regulated household cleaners, acids, bases, latex paint, and motor oil from Lake County residents at the universal waste collection area. Note: Universal wastes from businesses are prohibited.”
15. Page 7-5, Section 7. Solid waste disposal fees. Increase price for car load to \$5.00. Increased pickup truck load to \$10.00. Added a safety vest fee. Added radio frequency identification tag (RFID) replacement fee. Increased cost of car and pickup and semi truck tire fee. Added agricultural tires fees.
16. Page 7-5, Section 7. Note 2. Changed “district” to “division”. Added language to last sentence “and the size and condition of the vehicle carrying the load”.
17. Page 7-7, Section 7. Miscellaneous and Administrative Charge Schedule. Customer requested hydrant flow test. Increased fees from \$250.00 to \$400.00. Reason for change; product, material, and personnel wages have increased since fees were implemented in 2016.
18. Exhibit D. Removed Section D. We no longer allow partial connections.
19. Detail drawing, Fig 2.6.4. Cut in tee and tapping sleeve and valve detail. Modify “double check backflow” to “double check detector check backflow for fire line.
20. Detail drawing 2.13.2. Double check valve assembly installation. Change “double check valve” to “double check detector” check. Delete “drain required”. Fire lines do not have meters. Double check detector check has a meter on the device.