

Cromwell Water Pollution Control Authority
(Sewer Department)
Public Service Announcement

Property Owners are Responsible for their Building Sewer Connections

What does it mean and where does the property owner's responsibility begin and end?

Building sewer connections are also known as a private sewer lateral. The building sewer can be a gravity-flow or pressure type pipeline connecting a building's wastewater collection to the Town's public sewer system. The building sewer begins at the outside of the building's foundation wall and ends at the connection to the Town's public sewer that may be located within the roadway or an easement.

In other words the property owner owns and is responsible for maintaining the entire building sewer connection from said property to the Town's sewer system, not just to the property line.

Again, at this time we would like to state that many non- flushable products should not be disposed of into the sewer system. Think about what you flush if it isn't biodegradable or doesn't readily break down in water then please throw it away in the garbage. This includes any types of oils and greases. Remember your building pipe connection is likely to have a backup when disposing of non- flushable items. April's Cromwell Chronicle listed many of the products.

Please visit the Town's website at www.cromwellct.com go to Sewer where you will find a great deal of information. Also look for Public Service Announcements where you will find many products listed that should not be flushed.

The CWPCA appreciates all efforts our residents make to keep the sanitary sewer system free of obstructions and would like to thank you for helping in our efforts to reduce unnecessary inconvenience and keep maintenance costs to everyone at a minimum.