

## **RULE 26 - METERS ON FIRE LINES**

**Section 1.** A water meter will not be required on a branch water line that supplies service for fire protection only, unless specifically ordered by the County.

**Section 2.** The County reserves the right to order a regular type meter or a detector check valve-type meter, of a make and model approved by the Underwriter's Laboratories, Inc., installed on any such line at the property owner's expense by giving thirty (30) days notice of refusal to continue service under existing conditions. Upon installation of such a meter, the service will be charged the regular metered service rates set forth in Rule 9, instead of the fire service rate provided for in Rule 10.

**Section 3.** If, upon investigation, it shall be determined that water has been used from any unmetered fire line for other than fire purposes, the water will be turned off, the Ohio Inspection Bureau will be notified, and the water service will not be resumed until the County has been reimbursed for loss or damages suffered by it as a result of such use.

**Section 4.** Domestic water service may connect to fire lines with proper metering and shall meet the requirements of Water Rule 29 – Cross Connection Backflow Prevention. Further fire lines shall also meet the requirements of Water Rule 29 – Cross Connection Backflow Prevention.