
FRENCHTOWN TOWNSHIP WATER INSTALLATION INFO



Water Tap Information

Homeowner's Information:

1. Must be K-Copper or Plastic Tubing.
2. Frenchtown Water only uses K-Copper, standard water lines are 1”.
3. Plastic Water Line must be NSF approved and a minimum of 160 PSI.
4. Plastic lines require a tracer wire from the house to the road.
5. Must have a minimum depth of 48”.
6. You must obtain a plumbers permit.
7. All water lines must be inspected by the Township Plumbing inspector, before the tap can be made.
8. Water lines need to be in as much of a straight line as possible from the house to the road. The Water Department recommends the middle of the property.
9. Must leave minimum 3 ft pig tailed out of ground at the property line.
10. Water line must be run out to the road before you will be scheduled for installation.
11. Water meters are NOT permitted in crawl spaces; must be in a basement or in a livable heated area.
12. Area around the water meter must be protected from freezing.
13. Water meters need to be a minimum 6” off of the ground and 6” away from the wall.
14. Water Lines running over 300ft from the house to the property line will require a meter pit to be installed at the property line.

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Common questions asked:

How long do I have to wait for the water tap? From the day your water line is out to the property line and you have notified the Water Department, it is 3 days up to 5 weeks for installation. Every effort will be made to complete your tap within 5 weeks however bad weather, frozen ground and/or emergency repairs can delay service line installations.

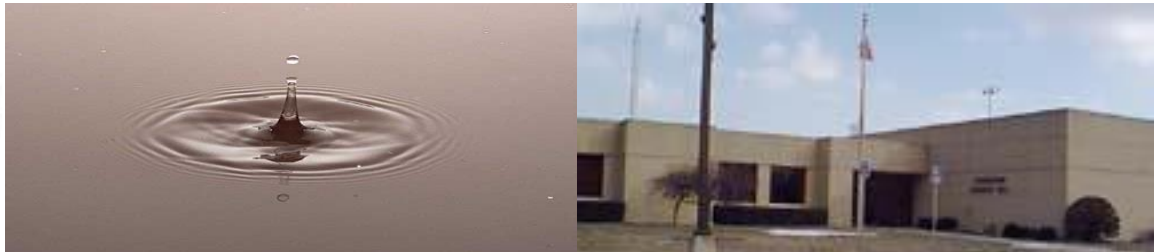
How long do I have to wait for my meter to be set after the tap is completed? Generally it is 24 hours, call the Water Department at 242-5902, ext. 112 and they will schedule you as soon as possible. Township business hours are 8:30am-4:30pm. Appointments are scheduled in 2 hour windows and are available Monday through Friday 8am –4pm.

Does it cost more if the water main is on the opposite side of the road? In most cases no, if we should run into rock or any other problem, all work will be stopped until the homeowner approves, signs a agreement and puts a deposit down on the cost to finish the work.

Why can't the water meter go in my crawl space? Township ordinance does not allow meters to be in crawl spaces.

Can I keep my well for outside watering? Yes, you can keep your well, but there must be a physical separation between the Township water supply and your well supply. A closed valve is not permitted; it must be a physical separation. The well must be only hooked to outside watering lines, no house supply lines.

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Common questions asked cont....

Does the Water Department have to come in my house to read the meter? No, we will attach an outside reading device to your home.

Who is responsible for cleaning up my yard after the work is done? The Water Department will schedule to have that cleaned up. You will have to be patient, we allow the area to settle before clean up.

If you should have any other questions regarding your water tap or charges pertaining to your water tap, please call the Water Department @ (734) 289-1015, ask for Randy Kendall. Office hours 8am – 4pm.

Thank you,

Frenchtown Water Department