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SPRING NEWSLETTER TO MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS

SARWP IS HERE FOR YOU!

EACH YEAR WE HOLD OUR ANNUAL SEMINAR AND EACH YEAR WE BELIEVE IT PROVIDES VALUABLE INFORMATION TO EACH OF YOU THAT ATTEND, WHETHER YOU ARE A BOARD MEMBER OR AN OPERATOR.

HERE ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM PAST SEMINARS:

- **WATER SECURITY AGENCY UPDATES**
- **SASK 1ST CALL – LINE LOCATES**
- **SASKWATER UPDATES**
- **BUILDING CANADA FUND GRANT INFORMATION**
- **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATES**
- **DUDURN RURAL WATER – AUTOMATED METER READ SYSTEM**
- **MELFORT RURAL PIPELINE ASSOCIATION – MAINTENANCE SURPRISES AND REMOTE MONITORING**
- **COTEAU HILLS RURAL PIPELINE ASSOCIATION – POINT OF ENTRY/POINT OF USE SYSTEM**
- **WEYBURN UTILITY BOARD – WATER ADVISORIES WITHIN THE CITY OF WEYBURN**
- **SHL RURAL PIPELINE ASSOCIATION – HISTORY AND OPERATIONS OF THE UTILITY**
- **SASK VALLEY RURAL WATER UTILITY – HISTORY AND OPERATIONS OF THE UTILITY**
- **ALVIN TOLLIFSON – FROM A CONTRACTOR’S POINT OF VIEW**
- **BUFFALO POUND TREATMENT PLANT**
- **SASKATCHEWAN WORKERS’ COMPENSATION BOARD**
- **OPERATOR’S CERTIFICATION BOARD**
- **HUSKY OIL SPILL AT PRINCE ALBERT**
- **AND MANY GREAT WONDERFUL KEY-NOTE SPEAKERS**

WE CONTINUE TO PREPARE FOR THE DECEMBER 2022 ANNUAL SEMINAR AND WE WANT YOU THERE!! PLEASE READ THE ENCLOSED INFORMATION AND PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022.

EMAIL ADDRESS

SARWP would like an email address for your Utility/Co-Op/Association. This is a much more economical way for the Association to communicate with you.

SASK 1ST CALL

IMPORTANT!! YOUR UTILITY BOARD MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF SARWP IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SASK 1ST CALL/SARWP AGREEMENT.

The Association has joined **Sask 1st Call** on behalf of all Utility Boards in the province. Once the individual Utility Board is a member, you will receive **\$3.00 per notification** (ticket/locate request) which is reviewed on an annual basis by Sask 1st Call.

By having the Utility Board's under the Association, you save the one-time fee which is based on the number of kilometers your Utility would cover.

The Subscriber Agreement that is signed by the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Water Pipelines is for your information only and can be viewed and/or downloaded from our website (sarwp.ca). Appendix A, which your Utility will have to fill out and return to Sask 1st Call, is now available on our website. Appendixes B and C are for your information only and D is required if/when you are making any changes to the original information on Appendix A. As stated, you will fill out Appendix A and the Appointment of Agent and forward to Sask 1st Call. You will then be required to provide your individual mapping data as described in the Database Correspondent Quick Reference Guide (also available on our website) and a copy of your Certificate of Insurance as indicated in the subscriber agreement in Section 5.5 (the Certificate of Insurance can be provided from your Insurance Agency). If you require any assistance from Sask 1st Call – please contact Erin Rodger, Manager, Sask 1st Call at: ERodger@sask1stcall.com or call her at: (306) 777- 9507. You can also visit their website at www.sask1stcall.com.

****Note:** Separate of Sask 1st Call you will also have to fill in the Waiver and Indemnification Form and return to SARWP if you will be joining Sask 1st Call.

If you do not have access to the Internet, please call SARWP at 306-361-0919 and copies can be mailed to your organization.

OPERATOR'S CERTIFICATION TRAINING

In Saskatchewan, all owners of water distribution systems (pipelines) must ensure that the operation, maintenance, and repair of their system is under the direction of a certified operator if their pipeline is to be licensed to operate by a Water Security Agency's Environmental Project Officer. This became mandatory on July 15, 2005. If you are interested in having your operator trained but not sure of what level of training your operator requires, your local Ministry of Environment office can help you determine your operator training requirement.

2022 ANNUAL SEMINAR

Our 2022 Annual Seminar will be held at the Park Town Hotel in downtown Saskatoon. The Park Town is still a favorite among our seminar attendees!

The 2022 Annual Seminar has been scheduled for

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022

Please mark your calendars!

****NOTE:** CEU Training will take place all day Tuesday, December 6 (9:00 AM – 5:00 PM)

We will continue with the wine and cheese registration on Tuesday evening and our auction (both silent and live) will be held in the same manner as in the past.

Our Executive is hard at work planning this year's seminar!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of SARWP will be held **Wednesday, December 7, 2022**, at our Annual Seminar. More information will follow at a later date.

Invoice for SARWP Membership

We have attached an invoice for your SARWP membership fees for 2022, which is also available on our website. Being a member of SARWP has many benefits, some of which include reduced registration fees at seminars, bulk ordering of test equipment, and up-to-date information on mandatory Water Security Agency regulations.

****NOTE:** We are asking for an email address as this is our preferred method of contact with Utility Boards.

We are asking all Utility Boards for permission to add your contact information to our website. **PLEASE CHECK YES OR NO ON THE INVOICE.**

Please complete your invoice and send it back to SARWP as soon as possible. We are asking for more information on the invoice; however, it is optional and not a requirement to complete.

Membership Advertising

If your Utility Board would like to send out a notice of items for sale or have a topic that you feel you would like to share with other Utility Boards, please email SARWP at info@sarwp.ca and your notice or ad will be placed in a future newsletter.

Sincerely,



Colette Duffee, Administrator
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Dundurn Rural Water
Utility has New and used
Sensus MXU's for sale.
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Good Plumbing Practice

Water supply coming from supplier has a shut off, meter, dual check, pressure reducing valve, an orifice and solenoid on it. Usually 3/4-in. in size.

Recommend goose neck fittings on top of overflow. When the pump cuts in to deliver water to the building a potential negative pressure is created in the tank. So air is drawn into the tank through the overflow which is usually stuffed down into the floor drain. With a goose neck the air should be drawn from the closest source. Even if lid has vents on it.

2.6.2.9. 2) Air Gap shall not be less than 25 mm high and at least twice the diameter of the opening of the water supply outlet in height.

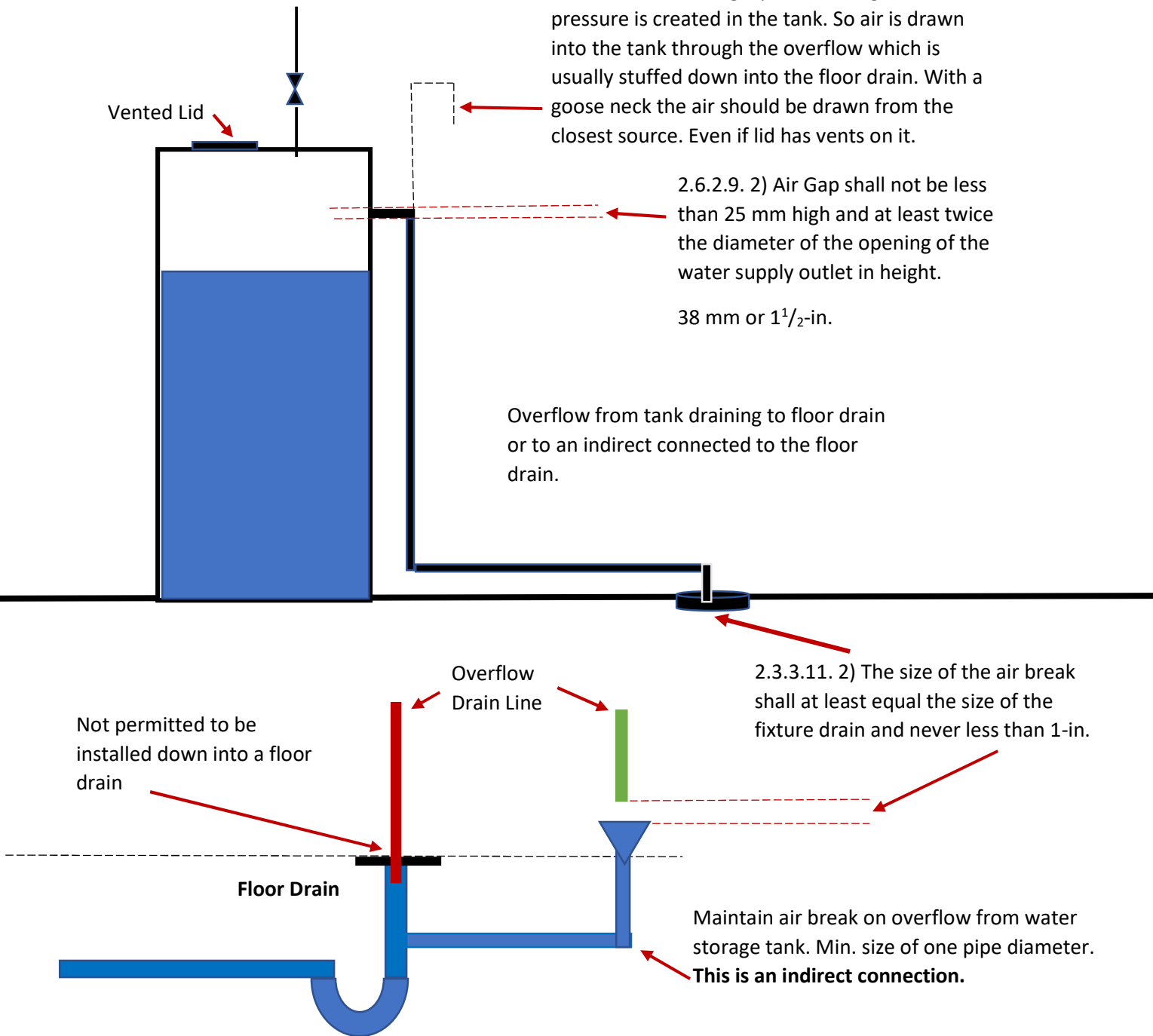
38 mm or 1 1/2-in.

Overflow from tank draining to floor drain or to an indirect connected to the floor drain.

2.3.3.11. 2) The size of the air break shall at least equal the size of the fixture drain and never less than 1-in.

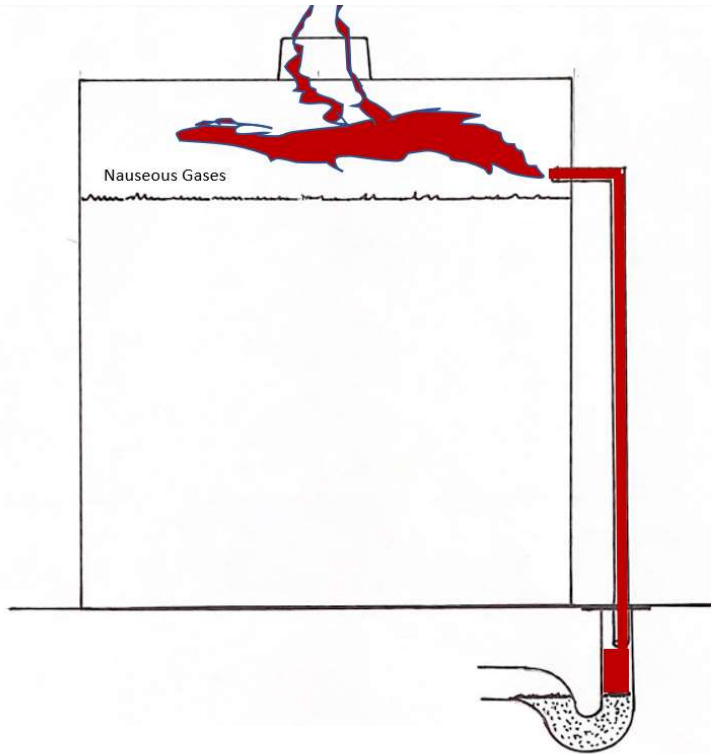
Maintain air break on overflow from water storage tank. Min. size of one pipe diameter. **This is an indirect connection.**

Not permitted to be installed down into a floor drain



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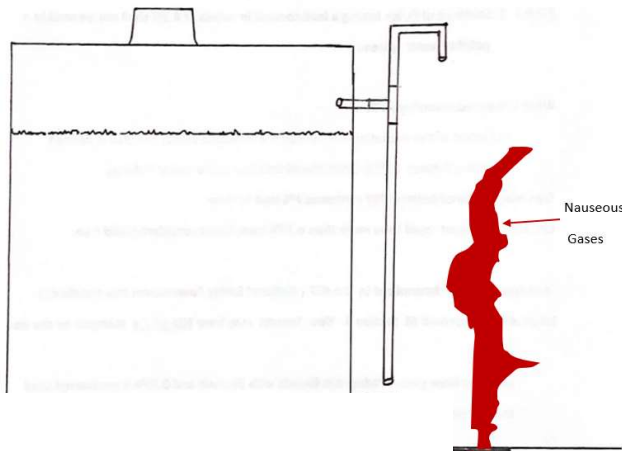


The configuration of the overflow pipe in this figure would allow nauseous gases to go up into the tank and possibly vent out the vent in the lid. Chimney effect would allow possible sewer gases or other foul odors.

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Should any nauseous gases ever get into the overflow vertical pipe it would likely go up and out the goose neck fitting rather than into the tank.

When directing the drain from the overflow from the tank as shown in this diagram, there is less chance of getting nauseous gases migrating up and into the tank.



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