

Communiqué from Shields

We want you to know:

- *Irrigation Water Shut Off* for the 2019 season.
- *Compost for leaves and grass clippings* has been moved to a temporary location at the south end of Memorial Drive. Follow the signs.
- Winter Lake Access policy developed by Council. Residents have identified a winter lake access point be provided at the north side of boat lots. What is required from you to use this access? A \$100 refundable deposit for a key to the locking gate. Closing and locking gate after use. Limiting use of access to residents of Shields only. Following the rules or be asked to return key and lose access. A decision to proceed will be based on interest.
Let us know if you are interested by contacting Jessie by phone 306 492- 2259 or email: admin@shields.ca

Drinking Water Safety

It is up to you!

Clean, safe drinking water. It's something we take for granted, but every home, including yours has potential hazards that can contaminate drinking water.

Hoses or improper connection of in ground sprinklers to your house water system creates cross connections.

What is a cross connection?

A cross connection is any link between your water supply and a polluted or contaminated source. A cross connection into the Shields non potable water irrigation system for your in ground sprinklers that uses the same outdoor tap or piping used to deliver potable water could create contamination of drinking water.

Here is the danger.

If a drop in water pressure occurs inside your house, the hose connection could act as a siphon, and suck contaminants back up into your water supply. This makes the water unsafe to drink and is dangerous for you, your family, and your neighbours.

Dangerous cross connections can be prevented throughout the Shields potable water system. But only you can protect your drinking water from cross contamination on your property.

What you need to do?

Wherever possible, maintain physical separation from potable and non-potable water (irrigation system).

Install atmospheric vacuum breakers to prevent back siphoning. These devices should be installed on all taps on the outside of your house and as part of an in-ground sprinkler system.

Vacuum breaker devices are available at various retail locations or if you are interested in a bulk buy please contact *Jessie by phone 306 492- 2259 or email: admin@shields.ca*

Please keep our drinking water safe and continued access to irrigation water!

Note: Cross Connections in potable water systems are required to be protected in Saskatchewan under the jurisdiction of the Canadian plumbing Code 1990 and the *Saskatchewan Plumbing and Drainage Regulations 1996*. These code requirements are also supplemented by good engineering practices outlined in CSA – B64.10-01/ CSA –B64.10.101 and the AWWA Canadian Cross Connection Control Manual.