

**Pottstown Borough Authority
I&I Recommendation Matrix
February 23, 2022**

Category	Requirement	Enforcement	Inspection Status	Recommendation/ Options	Ordinance Section	Ordinance Language
Laterals	It is the property owner's responsibility to maintain, repair and/or replace building sanitary drainage systems if the Borough determines that they do not meet the requirements of the Borough Code	It is enforced in event of overflow, or through individual projects as approved by the Authority (replacement to curb only)	Inspections are conducted reactively for backups and complaints. They are done proactively through Authority projects (no proactive inspection program currently)	Develop an additional proactive inspection program on rolling basis	Chapter 18, Part 2, §202.4	"It shall be the owner's responsibility to maintain, repair, and/or replace building sanitary drainage systems if the Borough determines that they do not meet the requirements of this Chapter."
Floor Drains	New floor drains are allowable on a case-by-case basis	It is enforced on a case-by-case basis, typically as a result of backups	Floor drains are inspected during new building occupancy and building inspections. Existing building property transfer or rental inspections only inventory the presence of floor drain, but they do not require floor drains to be plugged or abandoned unless there is evidence of an overflow or it is not functioning as originally designed.	Leave as is	Chapter 18, Part 2, §202.9	"No person shall make connection of sump pumps, roof down spouts, foundation drains, areaway drains, floor drains or other sources of surface run-off or groundwater to a building sanitary drainage system or building drain which in turn is connected, directly or indirectly, to a Borough sanitary sewer main, unless such connection is approved in writing by the Borough for the purposes of disposal or polluted surface drainage or for the prevention of potentially hazardous conditions."
Sump Pumps	No sump pump connections to the sanitary sewer system are permitted unless there are hazardous conditions (i.e. storm drainage issues)	It is currently enforced.	Sump Pumps are inspected at rental and property transfer inspections as well as individual projects that approved by the Authority.	Establish special permit for hazardous conditions or where storm water discharge is not feasible. Evaluate other alternatives such as civil penalties and/or follow up inspections	Chapter 18, Part 2, §202.9	"No person shall make connection of sump pumps, roof down spouts, foundation drains, are away drains, floor drains or other sources of surface run-off or groundwater to a building sanitary drainage system or building drain which in turn is connected, directly or indirectly, to a Borough sanitary sewer main, unless such connection is approved in writing by the Borough for the purposes of disposal or polluted surface drainage or for the prevention of potentially hazardous conditions."
Roof Down Spouts/ Foundation/ Area Drains	No connections are permitted unless there are hazardous conditions (i.e. storm drainage issues)	It is enforced only if it can be visually observed above ground	Visual inspections are conducted at property transfer and rental inspections	Have L&I indicate if the connection or outfall is unknown during inspections Engage third party for dye test to verify if it is connected to the sanitary sewer system Establish special permit for hazardous conditions	Chapter 18, Part 2, §202.9	"No person shall make connection of sump pumps, roof down spouts, foundation drains, areaway drains, floor drains or other sources of surface run-off or groundwater to a building sanitary drainage system or building drain which in turn is connected, directly or indirectly, to a Borough sanitary sewer main, unless such connection is approved in writing by the Borough for the purposes of disposal or polluted surface drainage or for the prevention of potentially hazardous conditions."