Regional District Of Central Okanagan

Policy And Procedures Manual

Chapter:	6.	INSPECTION SERVICES	Policy No: Management Procedure
Section:	6.03	Testing of Water Systems	Page: 603

6.3 Testing of Water Distribution Systems

As referenced in Sentence3.7.2 (1) of the B.C. Plumbing Code, every potable water system must be capable of withstanding a 200 P.S.I. (700 kPa) test for a minimum of 2 hours without a drop in pressure.

Building Standards has confirmed the need for this test, especially on polybutylene water pipe. A poor crimp joint will not be evident until the air pressure is above 150 P.S.I. – 200 P.S.I. Therefore, we will require all potable water systems to be tested to 200 P.S.I.