

and the Companies and the Local Board have been heard at the inquiry. And whereas, as the result of such inquiry, it has appeared expedient to the Board of Trade to allow such and so many of the said regulations as are contained in the Schedule hereto annexed, with such modifications and alterations as are shown in the said Schedule. Now therefore the Board of Trade do hereby confirm the last named regulations so modified and altered as aforesaid.

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REGULATIONS

MADE UNDER THE METROPOLIS WATER ACT,
1871.

Place of Communication Pipe.

1. No "communication-pipe" for the conveyance of water from the waterworks of the Company into any premises shall hereafter be laid until after the point or place at which such "communication-pipe" is proposed to be brought into such premises shall have had the approval of the Company.

Weight of Lead Pipes.

2. No lead pipe shall hereafter be laid or fixed in or about any premises for the conveyance of or in connection with the water supplied by the Company (except when and as otherwise authorised by these regulations, or by the Company), unless the same shall be of equal thickness throughout, and of at least the weight following, that is to say:—

Internal Diameter of Pipe in Inches.	Weight of Pipe in lbs. per Lineal Yard.
$\frac{3}{8}$ -inch-diameter.	5 lbs. per lineal yard.
$\frac{1}{2}$ " "	6 " "
$\frac{5}{8}$ " "	$7\frac{1}{2}$ " "
$\frac{3}{4}$ " "	9 " "
1 " "	12 " "
$1\frac{1}{4}$ " "	16 " "

Interior Pipes.

3. Every pipe hereafter laid or fixed in the interior of any dwelling-house for the conveyance of, or in connection with, the water of the Company, must, unless with the consent of the Company, if in contact with the ground, be of lead, but may otherwise be of lead, copper, or wrought iron, at the option of the consumer.

Not more than one Communication-Pipe to each House.

4. No house shall, unless with the permission of the Company in writing, be hereafter fitted with more than one "communication-pipe."

Every House, with certain exceptions, to have its own Communication-Pipe.

5. Every house supplied with water by the Company (except in cases of stand pipes) shall have its own separate "communication-pipe." Provided that, as far as is consistent with the special Acts of the Company, in the case of a group or block of houses, the water-rates of which are paid by one owner, the said owner may, at his option, have one sufficient "communication-pipe" for such group or block.

No House to have connection with Fittings of adjoining House.

6. No house supplied with water by the Company shall have connection with the pipes or other

fittings of any other premises, except in the case of groups or blocks of houses, referred to in the preceding regulation.

Connection to be by Ferrule or Stop-cock.

7. The connection of every "communication-pipe" with any pipe of the Company shall hereafter be made by means of a sound and suitable brass screwed ferrule or stop-cock with union, and such ferrule or stop-cock shall be so made as to have a clear area of waterway equal to that of a half-inch pipe. The connection of every "communication-pipe" with the pipes of the Company shall be made by the Company's workmen, and the Company shall be paid in advance the reasonable costs and charges of and incident to the making of such connection.

Material and Joints of External Pipes.

8. Every "communication-pipe" and every pipe external to the house and through the external walls thereof, hereafter respectively laid or fixed, in connection with the water of the Company shall be of lead, and every joint thereof shall be of the kind called a "plumbing" or "wiped" joint.

No Pipe to be laid through Drains, &c.

9. No pipe shall be used for the conveyance of, or in connection with, water supplied by the Company, which is laid or fixed through, in, or into any drain, ashpit, sink, or "manure-hole," or through, in, or into any place where the water conveyed through such pipe may be liable to become fouled, except where such drain, ashpit, sink or "manure-hole," or other such place, shall be in the unavoidable course of such pipe, and then in every such case such pipe shall be passed through an exterior cast-iron pipe or jacket, of sufficient length and strength, and of such construction as to afford due protection to the "water-pipe."

Depth of Pipes under Ground.

10. Every pipe hereafter laid for the conveyance of, or in connection with, water supplied by the Company, shall, when laid in open ground, be laid at least two feet six inches below the surface, and shall in every exposed situation be properly protected against the effects of frost.

No connection with Rain Water Receptacle.

11. No pipe for the conveyance of, or in connection with, water supplied by the Company, shall communicate with any cistern, butt, or other receptacle used or intended to be used for rain-water.

Stop-Valve.

12. Every "communication-pipe" for the conveyance of water to be supplied by the Company into any premises shall have at or near its point of entrance into such premises, and if desired by the consumer within such premises, a sound and suitable stop-valve of the screw-down kind, with an area of waterway not less than that of a half-inch pipe and not greater than that of the "communication-pipe," the size of the valve within these limits being at the option of the consumer.

If placed in the ground such "stop-valve" shall be protected by a proper cover and "guard-box."

Character of Cisterns and Ball-Taps.

13. Every cistern used in connection with the water supplied by the Company shall be made and at all times maintained watertight, and be properly covered and placed in such a position that it may be inspected and cleansed. Every