

## CHAPTER 92

# PRIVATE WELLS

92.01 When Prohibited  
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**92.01 WHEN PROHIBITED.** Except as provided in this chapter, new private wells and water systems shall not be created or maintained by any individual or property owner within the City boundaries. Private wells and water systems may be allowed only if one of the following conditions is established by the applicant to the satisfaction of the City:

1. Existing Well. The private well or water system was in existence prior to July 1, 2000.
2. Location. If no part of a tract of land upon which a private well or water system is proposed is within 300 feet of the City water main.

**92.02 PERMIT FOR NEW WELL.** Any party who desired to construct or maintain a new private well or water system within the City shall make application to the City Clerk for a private well permit. The City Council shall establish the contents of the permit application. No permit shall be granted unless the required condition under Section 92.01 is established and the well meets all applicable City, County, State and Federal rules, regulations and laws.

**92.03 TERMINATION AND ABANDONMENT.** In the event any private well or water system is no longer being used, the well owner or property owner shall abandon the well in such a manner as to preclude its further use. The termination, abandonment and closure of the well shall be done in accordance with standards, regulations and guidelines of the local Board of Health and Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

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