

DEFINITIONS

OBSTRUCTIONS - **OBSTRUCTIONS** ARE OBJECTS (PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY) THAT PREVENT WATER SERVICE CREWS FROM READING OR MAINTAINING PUBLIC WATER FACILITIES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO WATER METERS, FIRE HYDRANTS, SAMPLE STATIONS, AND AIR-VACUUM RELEASE VALVES. SUCH ITEMS INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, POSTS, FENCES, VEHICLES, SIGNS, TRASH, STORAGE CONTAINERS, DEBRIS, AND PLANT GROWTH.

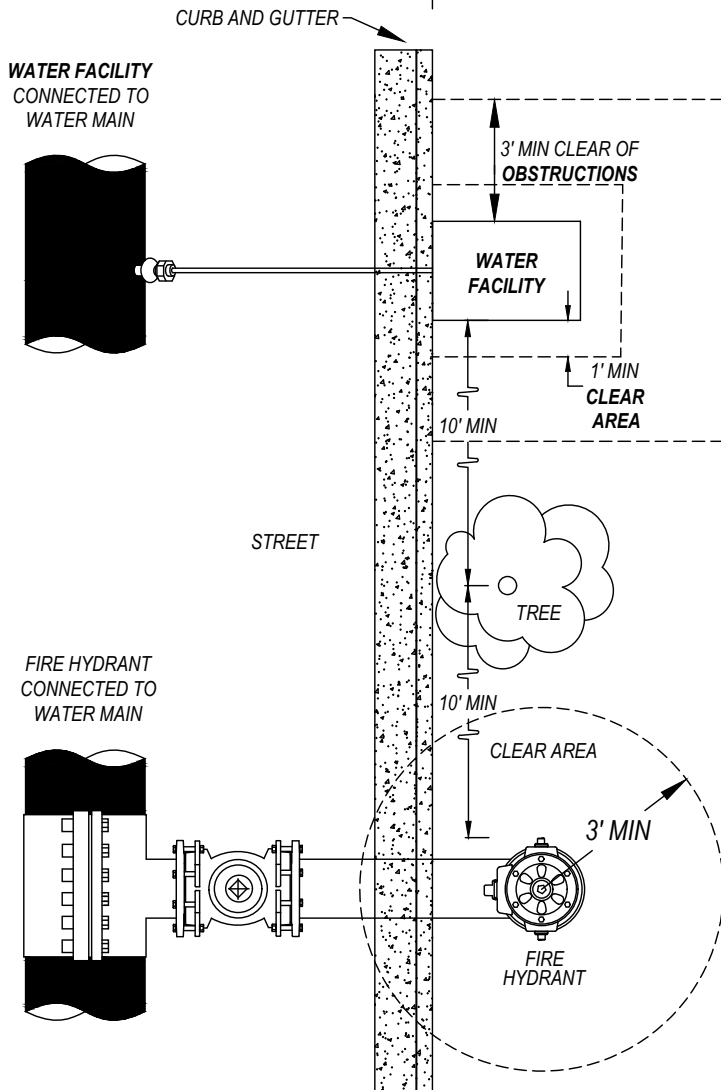
CLEAR AREA - A **CLEAR AREA** ALLOWS SERVICE WORKERS TO READ AND MAINTAIN PUBLIC WATER FACILITIES WITHOUT REQUIRING ADDITIONAL, NON-WATER BASED WORK, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLEARING BUSHES, MOVING SIGNS, AND REMOVING DEBRIS.

WATER FACILITY - A **WATER FACILITY** IS ANY DEVICE CONNECTED TO THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO WATER METERS, VALVES, BLOW-OFF VALVES, FIRE HYDRANTS, AIR-VACUUM RELEASE VALVES, WATER SERVICE LATERALS, AND BACKFLOW DEVICES.

PERMANENT STRUCTURE - **PERMANENT STRUCTURES** INCLUDE ANY OBJECTS THAT ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE REMOVED OR RELOCATED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FOUNDATIONS, FENCES, RETAINING WALLS, POOLS, HOUSES, TREES, LARGE BUSHES, AND SIGNS.

SEPARATION REQUIREMENTS

- OBSTRUCTIONS** SHALL BE KEPT A MINIMUM OF 3-FEET AWAY FROM WATER FACILITIES.
- A **CLEAR AREA** SHALL BE MAINTAINED 1-FOOT AROUND AND 6-FEET ABOVE WATER FACILITIES BY THE CUSTOMER (EXCEPT A 3-FOOT CLEAR AREA SHALL BE MAINTAINED FOR FIRE HYDRANTS).
- PERMANENT STRUCTURES** SHALL BE KEPT A MINIMUM OF 10-FEET AWAY FROM WATER FACILITIES (LARGE SHRUBS CAN BE KEPT A MINIMUM OF 5-FEET AWAY).



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