



# Time of Sale Sewer Lateral Inspection Form

Watsonville Municipal Code requires that sewer laterals meet two requirements at the time of sale: 1) each parcel has a separate sanitary sewer lateral per Section 6-3.503 and; 2) the lateral is maintained in good, working order and confirmed by inspection at least every 15 years per Section 6-3.508 (d). This form identifies the testing procedures established by the Director of Public Works for parcels to comply with these Municipal Code sections at time of sale.

This form must be completed by a NASSCO certified plumber licensed to do business in the City of Watsonville. **This form with inspection video is to be submitted for City approval prior to the sale of property to:** [sli@cityofwatsonville.org](mailto:sli@cityofwatsonville.org). Visit: [www.cityofwatsonville.org/sewerlateral](http://www.cityofwatsonville.org/sewerlateral)

Please allow a minimum of 3 business days to review. The approved form will be returned upon receipt of a passing score and payment of listed City hourly staff fee at **City of Watsonville Public Works & Utilities Department**, 250 Main Street, Watsonville, CA 95076.

### Property Information:

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner(s) name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address of owner (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Exemption for completion of form:

Select one if applicable, otherwise complete lateral inspection for portion of lateral within property owner's responsibility in the remainder of form below.

- Property is located within a mobile home park, but is not the entire mobile home park.
- Property is located within a development managed by a Home Owner's Association (HOA) **AND** the property owner does not have rights/responsibilities to repair the private sewer lateral. Submit a copy of the HOA's Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) with this form as confirmation of exemption. *Note that this is a self-certification. City of Watsonville assumes no liability for a seller or buyer's legal interpretation of the CC&Rs. The seller, buyer, and HOA shall review the CC&Rs and make their own determination as to the legal responsibility for lateral ownership, repair, and maintenance.*

*Note: Sale of an entire entity that manages a private sewer system (including but not limited to mobile home park, apartment complex, development managed by an HOA, commercial center, etc.) is not exempt from completing this time of sale inspection.*

### Inspector Information:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ City Business License: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

NASSCO PACP Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Lateral Inspection

Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Pipe Size (in): \_\_\_\_\_ Pipe Material: \_\_\_\_\_

Length (cleanout to City sewer main): \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Laterals Serving Property: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Is another parcel connected to this lateral prior to the City sewer main?  Yes  No  
If yes, is a private sewer system maintenance agreement in place and recorded on the parcels?
  - Yes Attach copy of recorded private sewer system agreement to this form
  - No Selling property owner must separate sanitary sewer lateral per Municipal Code 6-3.503

2. Does the property have a sewer lift station (pump)?  Yes  No  
If yes, attach a recorded copy of the City's private lift station maintenance agreement.
3. Is there a standard cleanout within 5 feet of the building it serves?  
 **Yes (Required for passing inspection)**  No
4. If the finished floor elevation of the building is below the elevation of the next upstream manhole rim elevation, does the property have a working backwater valve?  
 Yes  No  N/A
5. Does the property have any outside drains or sump pumps connected to building sewer lateral(s)?  Yes  **No (Required for passing inspection)**
6. Video Inspection Score (see scoring criteria): \_\_\_\_\_  Pass  Fail
7. Are any corrections required to bring the lateral up to "passing" condition?  Yes  No  
**If "Yes",** select all that apply:
 

<input type="checkbox"/> Full lateral replacement	<input type="checkbox"/> Remove Old P-trap / Install new cleanout
<input type="checkbox"/> Spot repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New separate connection to main
<input type="checkbox"/> Slip-line	<input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning - Root removal
<input type="checkbox"/> Replace/Add backwater valve	<input type="checkbox"/> Disconnect outside drains, gutters, or sump pump
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

Note: Any correction requires City approval of either a City "Building Permit" for on-site plumbing improvements or a City "On/Off Site Permit" for offsite plan improvements.

***As the inspector for the above-mentioned property, I certify under penalty of law that the information and video recording I have provided with this form is true and correct.***

**Signature of Inspector:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### City of Watsonville - Time of Sale Sewer Lateral Inspection Scoring Criteria

Lateral must be cleaned with low to no flow and video camera run at 2 seconds per foot in order to provide a clear video of the pipe invert and walls. Provide a sketch of the building being sewer, street with City sewer main and lateral run, and approximate location of cleanout.

#### Scoring System - Passing Criteria

For a Time of Sale Sewer Lateral Inspection passing score, the lateral shall have:

- **No pipe structural grade 5 defects**
- **No operational grade 4 or 5 defects**
- **The sum of all defect grades shall be less than thirteen (13).**

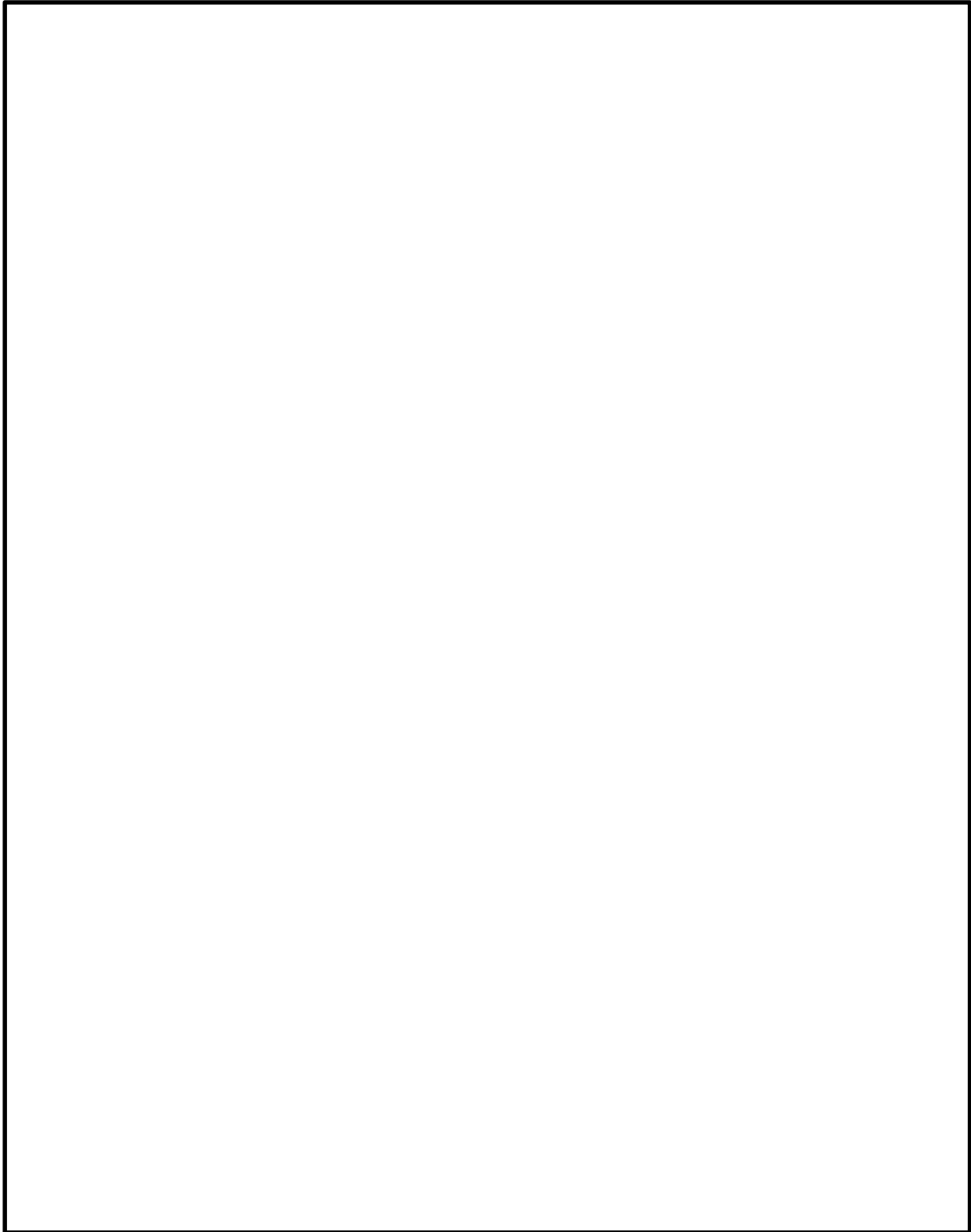
Note that structural defects are counted on a per pipe section basis (i.e. two separate cracks in a given pipe section will only be scored as "2" and not "4"), while operational defects are counted on a per incident basis.

Structural Defects	Score
Crack	<b>2</b>
Fracture	<b>3</b>
Broken/Hole/Deformed/Collapsed	<b>5</b>
Medium offset or Separation (≤1 pipe thickness)	<b>3</b>
Large offset of Separation (≥1 pipe thickness)	<b>4</b>
Sag- Shallow (<30%)	<b>3</b>
Sag-Medium (30%-50%)	<b>4</b>
Sag-Medium (>50%)	<b>5</b>

Operational Defects	Score
Roots - Fine (<5%)	<b>1</b>
Roots - Medium (5%-50%)	<b>3</b>
Roots - Medium (>50%)	<b>4</b>
Deposits (<20%)	<b>2</b>
Deposit (20%-30%)	<b>4</b>
Deposit (>30%)	<b>5</b>

**SKETCH OF LATERAL**

Provide a sketch in the area below to indicate the general layout of the lateral alignment that includes the building(s) the lateral serves, clean-out location(s), lateral alignment including bends, lateral diameter(s), and street with City sewer main. Alternatively, a separate page may be attached to this form.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a hand-drawn sketch of a sewer lateral system. The box is currently blank.

**Initial Inspection Scoring:**

**Date of Inspection:** \_\_\_\_\_

	<u>Distance (ft)</u>	<u>Defect</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Sum of Scores:** \_\_\_\_\_  Pass  Fail

*If City agrees that the initial inspection failed, the appropriate City permit(s) must be obtained prior to repairs being completed for approval of the correction.*

**Post-correction Inspection Scoring (if needed):**

**Date of Inspection:** \_\_\_\_\_

	<u>Distance (ft)</u>	<u>Defect</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Sum of Scores:** \_\_\_\_\_  Pass  Fail

<b>For City Use Only</b>	
Date Received: _____	Date Approved: _____
Reviewed by: _____	Approved by: _____