

199—21.1(476) Application of rules.

21.1(1) *Application of rules.* The rules apply to any water utility operating within the state of Iowa under the jurisdiction of the Iowa utilities board and are established under Iowa Code chapter 476.

These rules are intended to promote service to the public, provide standards for uniform practices by utilities, and establish a basis for determining the reasonableness of the demands made by the public upon the utilities.

A utility or customer may file for a waiver of these rules in accordance with the provisions of 199—1.3(17A,474,476,78GA,HF2206).

These rules shall not relieve a utility from its duties under the laws of this state.

21.1(2) *Authorization of rules.* Iowa Code chapter 476 provides that the Iowa utilities board shall establish all needful, just, and reasonable rules, not inconsistent with law, to govern the exercise of its powers and duties, the practice and procedure before it, and to govern the form, content, and filing of reports, documents, and other papers necessary to carry out the provisions of this law.