



COUNTY OF SPOTSYLVANIA

Cross Connection and Backflow Prevention Program

Dear Customer,

The Virginia Department of Health Waterworks Regulations requires the Utilities/Public Works Department to maintain and enforce a Cross Connection Control Program.

Consumers are responsible for installing, testing, and maintaining required backflow prevention devices or backflow prevention by separations and/or pressure sensing devices at certain connections to the County's water supply.

Backflow Prevention Devices are required to be inspected and tested annually by a Certified Backflow Prevention Device Tester. A copy of a completed Backflow Prevention Device must be submitted to the Department to verify compliance.

Backflow Prevention Devices are mandatory for the following types of connections:

- Lawn sprinklers/Irrigation systems
- Fire service systems
- Multi-use commercial, office, or warehouse facilities
- Hospitals, mortuaries, clinics, veterinary establishments, nursing homes, dental offices and medical buildings
- Car washes and laundries
- Health clubs w/ swimming pools, therapeutic baths, hot tubs or saunas
- High-rise buildings (4 or more stories)
- Paper and paper products plants and printing plants
- Schools or colleges with laboratory facilities
- Laboratories
- Piers, docks, waterfront facilities
- Food and beverage processing plants
- Chemical plants, dyeing plants and pharmaceutical plants
- Metal plating industries
- Petroleum or natural gas processing or storage plants
- Radioactive materials processing plants or nuclear reactors
- Commercial greenhouses and nurseries
- Pesticide or exterminating companies and their vehicles with storage or mixing tanks
- Sewage treatment plants, sewage pumping stations, or storm water pumping stations
- Slaughter houses and poultry processing plants
- Farms where the water is used for other than household purposes.

For additional information or questions regarding the County's Program, send a message by email to: utilities@spotsylvania.va.us.