Backflow Prevention Assemblies

Under the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulations Chapter 478 which requires backflow prevention assemblies to be installed on all cross-connections and potential contaminations. In this list you find the required devices, and required testing information for the more common cross-connections and potential contaminations in the District. These hazards are broken down into two classification Health and Non-Health. All testing must be performed by a licensed Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester (BPAT) and a copy of these tests be submitted to the District's office. The District uses BSI online for record purposes and notifications on annual testing when applicable.

Irrigation System (with septic tanks)

Classification: Health

Required Assembly: Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly (RPBA)

Testing: Installation, Annually

Outside Faucets

Classification: Non-Health

Required Assembly: Hose Bibb Vacuum Breaker (HBVB) or Anti-Siphon faucet Testing: HBVB- Visual (if it spits water after turning the faucet off it works)

RV Parks

Classification: Health

Required Assemblies: Meter--Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly (RPBA)

Faucets – Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB)

Testing: Installation, Annually

Water Troughs

Classification: Health

Required Assembly: Air Gap (AG) or Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB)

Testing: AG – visual, PVB – installation, annually

Swimming Pools

Classification: Non-Health

Required Assembly: Air Gap (AG) or Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB)

Testing: AG – visual, PVB – Installation

Private Wells

Classification: Health

Required Assembly: Air Gap (AG)

Testing: Periodic Visual Inspection by District