Instructions for Compliance to the Cross Connection Control/Backflow Prevention Program

Maintenance

Maintain existing backflow preventers in good working order. They must be tested annually by a backflow prevention device tester licensed by the City of Cambridge to ensure they are functioning as intended.

Testing

Make sure all of the backflow preventers are tested, including devices on fire sprinkler and irrigation systems. The devices must be tested prior to the due date listed on the reminder notice.

- If your devices fail, have them repaired or replaced within forty-eight hours.
  - If you replace a device, include both the serial number for the device that was removed in addition to the serial number for the new device.
- If you remove a device, a test report must be submitted with the serial number of the device and the reason that it was removed.

Cross Connection Survey

Every three years a survey (audit) must be conducted to identify any new cross connections.

- If you need to install additional devices, a building permit will be required and an inspection conducted. Visit the Building Permit page on our website or contact building@cambridge.ca for permit requirements and submissions.

Submit Test Reports and Surveys

When all testing is complete, email a legible copy of the test reports and/or survey to backflow@cambridge.ca within fourteen days.

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