



HOMES AND SENIORS SERVICES

POLICY & PROCEDURE NUMBER: 2.19

DEPARTMENT: Maintenance

SUBJECT: Plumbing System Backflow Prevention

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PURPOSE:

Backflow Prevention Devices will be installed and maintained to protect the building's Drinking water supply system from cross contamination. *RH Act 2010 O- Reg. 166/11 Sec. 19(2)1 and Local Plumbing Dept. and Building Bylaw Enforcement.*

Background: Back Flow Prevention Device installation and maintenance is a Safe Water Protection program administered by the Local Building / Bylaw Department of the Regional or local Municipality.

PROCEDURE:

The Manager of Corporate facilities or designate will ensure that all Backflow Prevention Devices (BPD) are:

1. Identified and listed on the provided form.
2. Tagged with an identifying facility serial number or maintenance number.
3. Annually tested and certified by a person or contractor who is a "Certified Backflow Prevention Device Tester" as recognized by the local jurisdiction.
4. Tagged with up-to-date Test Kit Inspectors Certificate, dated not more than 12 months previous.
5. Provided with a written inspection report from Test Contractor.
6. Inclusive of Fire Prevention Sprinkler System Back flow or Check valve devices.
7. Summarized in monthly report to water supplier.

If the BPD fails the annual test or otherwise requires service, Valve OFF and isolate any equipment the Backflow Device is designed to protect against.