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**BACKFLOW PREVENTER DEVICE TESTING & INFORMATION**

Property/Facility Information	
Facility Name:	Phone:
Address:	City:
Contact Email:	State/Zip:
Installation/Testing Firm Information	
Company Name:	Phone:
Tester Name:	Cert/Lic #:
Address:	City:
Email:	State/Zip:
Device Information	
Type of Device:	Serial #:
Device Location:	Make:
System Serves:	Model:
Install Date:	Size:
Test Date:	Replaced #:
Re-Build Date:	

Check Valve #1	Relief Valve	Check Valve #2 Test #1 Back Pressure	Check Valve #2 Test #2 Confirmation	Pressure Vacuum Breaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Leaked	<input type="checkbox"/> Did not open	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaked	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaked	<input type="checkbox"/> Did not open
<input type="checkbox"/> Closed tight		<input type="checkbox"/> Closed tight	<input type="checkbox"/> Closed tight	<input type="checkbox"/> Valve Leaked
Differential pressure across check valve PSI _____	Opened at PSI _____	Differential pressure across check valve PSI _____	Differential pressure across check valve PSI _____	Held at PSI _____ Air inlet opened at PSI _____
Notes/Misc. Info:				

This report is certified true and the tested device is certified to be functioning properly.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SEE REVERSE FOR FEES AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION INFORMATION**

## IMPORTANT BACKFLOW PREVENTION INFORMATION FROM WHITE BEAR LAKE AND MAHTOMEDI

<b>White Bear Lake &amp; Mahtomedi testing fees:</b>
Backflow Prevention Device Testing/Replace/Rebuild: \$20.00 <i>PER DEVICE</i> (Only test form and fee required)
<b>Brand new installs require a <a href="#">plumbing permit application</a> to be submitted:</b>
New Install of Backflow Prevention Device: \$25.00 (must submit device data within 30 days of install).
New Install of Backwater Valve: \$20.00 (must submit device data within 30 days of install).

Please visit [www.whitebearlake.org](http://www.whitebearlake.org) for both White Bear Lake and Mahtomedi Plumbing Permit applications (*required for NEW installs only*) and the Backflow Preventer Test & Device Forms.

**NOTE: We will also accept your device test forms along with payment.**

### **Backflow Preventer Information:**

New and existing RPZ installation will continue to be tested annually. Testing requirements for non-RPZ devices became effective for installations made on or after January 23, 2016.

The new 2015 Minnesota plumbing code states you must have your pressure vacuum breaker (PVB) tested by a licensed tester. This new code only applies to installations after January 23, 2016. The code does not require an existing PVB to be tested on an annual basis, however, manufacturers installation instructions always required testing for all PVB's, but this was not a code requirement. If you prefer to have your PVB tested, a licensed tester along with the proper test report submitted to the city must do it.

All newly installed backflow preventers require a permit and device data needs to be submitted within 30 days of installation.

### **Responsibility of the municipality:**

The municipality is responsible for notifying owners of backflow devices of the need for initial and annual testing of backflow devices. This can be done through the plumber when the plumbing permit is issued. It may be helpful for the municipality to prepare an information sheet to provide to the plumber at time of the plumbing permit application. As a condition of the permit, the plumber informs the device owner of the requirements.

### **Responsibility of the owner:**

The owner of the backflow prevention device is responsible for making sure the backflow device is tested upon installation and at least annually thereafter. The owner is responsible for arranging for a backflow device tester to test devices at least annually.

### **Responsibility of the plumbing contractor:**

The plumbing contractor is responsible for informing the building owner of the need to have their backflow devices tested upon installation and at least annually thereafter.

### **Responsibility of the backflow tester:**

- The backflow device tester is responsible for testing the backflow device and tagging it with the testing date, tester signature and backflow certification number.
- Written records of testing and maintenance must be maintained and submitted to the administrative authority and the community public water supplier within 30 days following the test.

For more RPZ information, visit the Minnesota Department of Labor website at [www.dli.mn.gov](http://www.dli.mn.gov)