

Backflow Testing Requirements

The International Plumbing Code and the City of Olathe Municipal Code state that all backflow preventers are required to be tested when installed and at least once per year thereafter. It is preferred that backflows on irrigation systems are tested in the spring or when systems are started to assure proper functioning. Testing is also required after any repairs have been made and when an assembly has been relocated, which includes removal and reinstallation. Testing must be completed by a certified backflow tester. **Test reports are to be filled out properly and turned into the City within 14 days of testing.** Failure to have your backflow tested within the time allotted, a City contractor or City personnel may test your backflow for you or your water service could be disconnected.



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Test Kits are required to be calibrated annually.

In the event that your lawn irrigation system is not equipped with an approved backflow preventer (a RP or PVB), a cross connection permit will be required prior to installation of the new type. Most irrigation or plumbing companies are able to install a backflow assembly and test them. See Permit Requirements for more information.