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CERTIFIED BACKFLOW ASSEMBLY TESTER CODE OF CONDUCT

SUB recognizes that the water purveyor has the responsibility of protecting the public water supply. Thus, in the exercise of this responsibility, SUB must take all reasonable precautions to protect the public water supply from the hazards originating on the premises of its customers that may degrade the public water supply. To ensure protection of the public water supply certified backflow assembly testers who perform testing within the Springfield City limits are held responsible and accountable to operate according to the Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs) and SUB's Cross-Connection Control (CCC) Program Standards. The following outlines the Code of Conduct all certified backflow assembly testers shall adhere to:

- Testers performing tests in Springfield shall have a current Backflow Assembly Tester Certification issued by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA).
- Proper test procedures as established by an OHA-approved Backflow Assembly Tester course shall be followed at all times.
- A tester shall not knowingly falsify the results of backflow assembly field tests performed by him/her.
- If an assembly fails to pass a test the tester shall use the comment field of the test report to record what was done to achieve a passing test result (i.e. repairs made, parts installed). Additionally, the 'Test After Repairs' portion of the test report shall be complete.
- If the test report is for a replacement assembly the tester shall use the comment field of the test report to record what assembly it is replacing (if not known state "unknown").
- Test reports shall be submitted to the Water Division within 10 (ten) days of the initial test, no matter the result. If there is a specific issue relating to the test, the tester shall contact the Water Division.
- Test reports shall be submitted in a manner or form acceptable to the Water Division. If a written form is used it shall be legible and contain all appropriate information pertaining to the test. Return backflow test reports to the Water Division at the above address.
- A tester shall not remove, replace or relocate a backflow assembly without notification to the Water Division. Approval by the Water Division is required for any change in backflow prevention protection.
- All fire line detector meter valves shall be left open after the backflow assembly has been tested. The by-pass meter on a fire line is required to be operational in order to record low amounts of usage for leak detection purposes.
- It is the responsibility of the tester to inform SUB of any changes in their address, phone numbers, etc.

Testers who fail to comply with the provisions of this Code of Conduct can be subject to the loss of testing privileges in SUB's jurisdiction. If you have questions or additional information is needed please contact the Water Division at 541-726-2396.