



AMERICAN BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSOCIATION

Position Statement Concerning REPAIR OF BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLIES BELOW MINIMUM ACCEPTED VALUES

In pursuit of the stated goals of the American Backflow Prevention Association (ABPA) of protecting the quality and integrity of clean drinking water, the Board of Directors believes that a Position Statement regarding “Repair of Backflow Prevention Assemblies below Minimum Accepted Values” is essential.

A backflow prevention assembly is installed at an actual or potential cross-connection and is intended to protect the water supply from contamination due to backflow. Therefore, in order to assure the continuing integrity of the clean drinking water supply, it is the position of the ABPA that all backflow prevention assemblies that are field tested and determined to be operating below the minimum acceptable values will be repaired and field tested to determine that they are operating at or above the minimum accepted values in a timely manner per the authority having jurisdiction. When the assembly is not repairable, it shall be replaced with appropriate protection per the authority having jurisdiction.

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