CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL BACKFLOW DEVICE

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) requires municipal water suppliers develop and implement a Cross Connection Control Program – more commonly known as a Backflow Prevention Program. The goal of the Village of Lincolnshire Backflow Prevention Program is to protect public drinking water from cross connection contamination caused by backflow into the Village’s water supply.

Backflow hazards exist in a variety of places where a backflow preventer might be installed, including: in-ground irrigation systems, factories, processing plants, laundry facilities dental offices, and hair salons.

Backflows are typically protected by a valve called a backflow preventer. Backflow preventers are the responsibility of private water customers. The State of Illinois’ Plumbing Code requires water customers to conduct annual testing and maintenance of their backflow preventers. The water customer must have a licensed tester annually test and complete necessary repairs and maintenance. Most plumbing contractors are certified to test backflow preventers. A list of certified and registered testers is available at http://www.trackmybackflow.com/resources.

The Village of Lincolnshire contracts with Aqua Backflow to oversee the Lincolnshire Backflow Prevention Program. Aqua Backflow specializes in backflow prevention program implementation and management. If you have a backflow protection device, you may be notified for compliance (testing, repairs, installations, or inspections) by Aqua Backflow and/or Village staff.

The Village’s Backflow Prevention Program is designed to safeguard public health. We ask for your cooperation and compliance with this program and any requests for information that may come from Aqua Backflow or Village staff.

If you have any questions related to this program, please contact Aqua Backflow at 847-742-2296 or Lincolnshire Utility Superintendent Maxwell Geib at 847-913-2383.