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ANNUAL REMINDER

Dear Customer,

Our records indicate that your property has one or more backflow preventer(s). An annual test of this device(s) is required by the York Water District as well as State of Maine drinking water regulations and is therefore a condition of continuing service with the York Water District. The cost of annual testing shall be at the expense of the owner. To avoid the risk of having your water shut off please be sure to coordinate with your Certified Tester so that we receive the test results for your device(s) no later than **June 30th**, as stated in our Cross-Connection Control Policy. **If you have seasonal water service and/or a lawn irrigation system, the test must be performed within 2 weeks of turning your seasonal water or irrigation system on.**

The Tester is responsible for reporting the test results to the District. All accounts that do not submit successful test results by **June 30th** will be subject to interruption of service. After **June 30th** the owner will receive a 14-day disconnection notice. The District will keep all submitted testing documentation on record and available for inspection by the State of Maine upon request. Any portion of the test which constitutes a “failure” will require immediate repairs or replacement of the device in accordance with the District’s current standards (see below). The Tester shall notify the District immediately of any test “failures”. **To eliminate the potential for interruption of service, we encourage you to follow up with your tester and/or our office to confirm that the District has received successful test results before the deadline date.** If you need contact information for certified backflow testers located in the area, we have compiled a list of certified individuals that can be found at www.yorkwaterdistrict.org. Test results can be submitted to backflow@yorkwaterdistrict.org or delivered to our office at 86 Woodbridge Road York, Maine 03909.

Per the York Water District’s Cross-Connection Control Program:

Annual testing shall be performed by a person who has been certified for testing, by one or more of the following organizations.

- *New England Water Works Association (NEWWA)*
- *American Backflow Prevention Association (ABPA)*
- *American Society of Sanitary Engineering (ASSE)*

*Any backflow preventer which fails during any test shall be immediately repaired. The Supplier (YWD) shall require that repair parts be ordered by the owner within twenty- four hours and that shipment be by the most expedient means possible. Any delay or repair for more than **four days** requires termination of service to ensure the protection of the public water system and the safety of the public health.*

Thank you for your cooperation. Please be sure to contact Tom Chase our Backflow Program Coordinator at (207)-363-2265 with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Chase

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