

CROSS-CONNECTION OR BACKFLOW TARIFF

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this tariff is to protect Central Water  
Company (Company) water from the possibility of  
contamination caused by the backflow of contaminants that may be  
present on the customer's premises by requiring the installation  
and periodic testing of backflow-prevention assemblies pursuant  
to the provisions of the Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.  
R14-2-405.B.6 and A.A.C. R18-4-232.

REQUIREMENTS:

In compliance with the Rules of the Arizona Corporation  
Commission (Commission) and the Arizona Department of  
Environmental Quality (ADEQ), specifically A.A.C. R14-2-405.B.6  
and A.A.C. R18-4-232 relating to backflow prevention:

1. The Company may require a customer to pay for and to have  
installed a backflow-prevention assembly if A.A.C.  
R18-4-232.B or C applies.
2. A backflow-prevention assembly required to be installed by  
the customer under Paragraph 1 of this tariff shall comply  
with the requirements set forth in A.A.C. R18-4-232.D and E.
3. Subject to the provisions of A.A.C. R14-2-407 and 410, and  
in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 7 of this tariff, the  
Company may terminate service or may deny service to a  
customer who fails to install a backflow-prevention assembly  
as required by this tariff.
4. The Company shall give any existing customer who is required  
to install a backflow-prevention assembly written notice of  
said requirement. If A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is not  
applicable, the customer shall be given thirty (30) days in  
which to comply with this notice. If the customer can show  
good cause as to why he cannot install the device within  
thirty (30) days, the Company or Commission Staff may  
suspend this requirement for a reasonable period of time.

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- 5. Testing shall be in conformance with the requirements of A.A.C. R13-4-232.F. The Company may require the customer to pay to have the backflow-prevention assembly tested as long as the Company does not require an unreasonable number of tests. The Company may also require the customer to pay for repairs to a backflow-prevention assembly.
- 6. The customer shall provide the Company with records of installation and testing. For each backflow-prevention assembly, these records shall include:
  - a. assembly identification number and description;
  - b. location;
  - c. date(s) of test(s);
  - d. description of repairs and recommendations for repairs made by tester; and
  - e. the tester's name and certificate number.
- 7A. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly does not function properly or fails any test, and a hazard as contemplated under A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. exists, the Company may terminate service immediately and without notice. The backflow-prevention assembly shall be repaired or replaced by the customer and retested before service is restored.
- 7B. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly does not function properly or fails any test, or in the event that a customer fails to comply with the testing requirement, and A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is not applicable, the backflow-prevention assembly shall be repaired or replaced within fourteen (14) days of the initial discovery of the deficiency in the assembly or its function. Failure to remedy the deficiency or disfunction of the assembly, or failure to retest, shall be grounds for termination of water service in accordance with A.A.C. R14-2-410.

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