Department of Health and Department of Labor & Industry

Backflow Assembly Testing, Installation & Repair Required Certification/Registration

Assembly Service Provided	Required Certification			
	DOH Issued BAT Certification	L&I Issued Contractor Registration	L&I Issued Specialty Plumber Certification (Effective 1/1/2003)	L&I Issued Plumber Certification
Backflow Assembly Testing Only (No Installation, No Repair) Inside or Outside a Building	X			
Testing, Installation and/or Repair of Backflow Assemblies Outside a Building	X	X*		
Testing and Repair (No Installation) of Backflow Assemblies (Potable water) Inside a Building	X	X*	X* (See Note 2)	
Testing, Installation and/or Repair of Backflow Assemblies Inside a Building	X	X*		X*

NOTE 1: If more than one certification/registration is marked in this table, the individual must possess *all* indicated certifications/registrations to comply with RCW 18.106, 18.27 & 70.119.

NOTE 2: DOH certified BATs who wish to repair potable water backflow assemblies inside buildings on or after 1/1/2003 must obtain a specialty plumber certification from Department of Labor & Industry. These changes result from legislation passed in 2001.

*EXCEPTION: If BAT provides installation and repair for his/her employer only, and the employer owns the premises in which the assembly is located, neither contractor registration nor plumber certification is required.

If interested in obtaining contractor and/or plumbing certification, contact:

Bruce Springer Contractor Compliance Plumbing Certification Department of Labor and Industries, Safety Compliance Services Div. PO Box 44450, Olympia WA 98504-4450

Phone: (360) 902-4768 Fax: (360) 902-5292

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If interested in obtaining a Backflow Assembly Tester Certification, contact:

Washington Certification Services Green River College 1221 D Street N.E. Auburn, WA 98002 Phone: 253-288-3357