

*** NOTICE ***

TO ALL HUNTINGTON BEACH BACKFLOW TESTERS

September 14, 2022

Subject: Replacement of Backflow Devices on Fire Protection Systems

Dear Orange County Certified Backflow Testers:

The City of Huntington Beach has transitioned to a new permit management system for all government services. This includes a formalized process for a backflow replacement on fire protection systems. If a backflow on a fire protection system fails and cannot be repaired, it will need to be replaced. If the device can be replaced with an identical device (the exact same size, make and model number) please contact a Cross Connection Specialist at 714-374-1687 prior to replacement. If the device is identical as stated no plans will need to be submitted just approved by the Cross Connection Specialist. However, if the replacement device is not identical to the size, make and model plans will need to be submitted to the Huntington Beach Fire Department for approval.

Directions for Creating and Submitting a Fire Permit Application (Construction) can be found at: <https://huntingtonbeachca.gov/help-center/submit-application/fire-permit-application/construction/>

To get started, go to the Accela Citizen Access home page here: <https://engage.huntingtonbeachca.gov/CitizenAccess/Default.aspx>

An account must be created to submit an application for a new fire permit. This new system empowers our customers with the ability to submit applications and enjoy other online services 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this transition. Keep in mind that processing time after the first submittal may take up to 20 working days. Once the permit is approved you will be automatically notified.

NOTE: As with standard replacements, two photos must be taken for verification – one photo of the device serial number and one photo of the entire device showing installation. Photos may be submitted by email to CrossConnection@surfcity-hb.org with the associated test report.

Thank you for your cooperation in advance,

Sincerely,
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