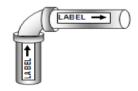
ENVIRONMENTAL MONTHLY GREEN SHARE



Water Quality

Cross-Connection Control & Backflow Prevention Devices



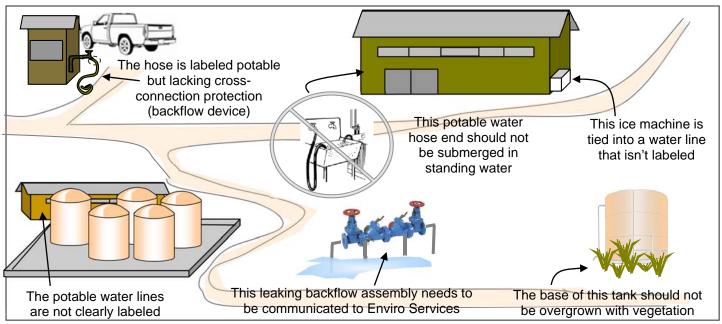
NON-POTABLE

WATER DO NOT DRINK

Cross-Connections Control Terminology:

- A <u>cross-connection</u> is any physical connection between a potable water system and a contaminant source that could potentially backflow into the potable water system. Backflow is the reversal in the flow of water.
- <u>Backflow prevention devices</u> are installed on water service lines or at plumbing fixtures to prevent contaminants from entering the potable water system through backflow.

Potential Issues to Look Out For:



What You Need to Know:

- Backflow prevention devices must be installed & in good working order on all potable water sources. If you see a potential problem with a backflow device (leaking, broken, missing), inform your supervisor and/or call Environmental Services. NO backflow device can be installed, removed and/or repaired without approval from Environmental Services.
- <u>Prior approval is necessary</u> before a new piece of equipment can be tied into an existing water system. Examples include septic systems, swamp coolers, compressors, ice machines, and eye wash stations/safety showers including any new construction that requires a backflow prevention device. A Management of Change (MOC) request must be submitted.
- Potable/non-potable water signage is <u>critical</u> to properly communicate for everyones safety.
 If a sign is missing, report it to your supervisor.



Questions? Contact Environmental Services at 928-865-6000

**Remember: Potable = Drinking Water

Non-Potable = Water Unsafe to Drink