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## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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To All Certified Backflow Prevention Assembly Testers

Greetings:

As you may know, the state of Missouri has implemented significant changes to the requirements for certification as a backflow prevention assembly tester. These changes are recorded in the state Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester Certification Regulation, 10 CSR 60-11.030, and are summarized in the enclosed brochure. They became effective on January 1, 1998.

Probably the most significant change you will notice is the training course is completely separate from the certification examination. You no longer obtain certification merely by attending a training course. Certification is obtained by successfully passing both a comprehensive written and a hands-on performance examination provided by either the American Backflow Prevention Association (ABPA) or the American Society of Sanitary Engineering (ASSE). The examinations are conducted under the oversight of an independent proctor, including the testing and diagnosis of each of the three major backflow prevention assemblies (double check valve, pressure vacuum breaker, and reduced pressure principle assemblies).

To apply for an examination as a backflow prevention assembly tester, you will need to contact either the ABPA or the ASSE. Upon application, you will be notified of the date and location of the next scheduled examination. The information for ABPA and ASSE is:

American Backflow Prevention Association Mr. Ernest Ravlina, Administrator  
P.O. Box 91082 Los Angeles, CA 90009 Phone and FAX: (323) 776-2764

American Society of Sanitary Engineering Marianne Waickman, Professional Qualifications  
Director 901 Canterbury, Suite A Westlake, OR 44145 Phone: (440) 835-3040 FAX: (440)  
835-3488

**ASSE APPROVED SCHOOLS IN MISSOURI:**

Johnson County Community College  
12345 College Blvd.  
Overland Park, KS 66210-1299

Contact: Tony Lacy  
913-469-3836

ABC Training Center  
2727 South Jefferson  
St. Louis MO 63118

Contact: Caroline Turlington  
816-994-5990 (phone)

GM-UAW High-Tech Training Facility  
1500 E Route A  
Wentzville MO 63385

Contact: George Sieker  
636-327-2491  
636-327-2495 (fax)

Kansas City Backflow  
6324 N. Chathamam #232  
Kansas City MO 64151

Contact: Kristine Colburn  
816-880-0578  
816-880-9961 (fax)

Ozark Tech Community College  
1001 E Chestnut Expressway  
Springfield MO 65802

Contact: Eric Lansdown  
417-447-8918  
417-447-8913 (fax)

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St. Louis MO 63137

Contact: Mark Collom/ Donald Summers  
314-388-3135  
314-388-5820 (fax)

Plumbers & Pipefitters Local #45  
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Contact: Gary Silvey  
816-279-5534  
816-364-5621 (fax)

Plumbers & Pipefitters L.U. #178  
2501 W Grand  
Springfield MO 65802

Contact: Andrew McCarty  
417-869-2918  
417-866-1609 (fax)

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314-388-5820 (fax)

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8510 Hillcrest Rd  
Kansas City MO 64138

Contact: Mike Parton  
816-335-5273

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St. Louis MO 63104

Contact: Kenneth Schneider  
314-621-7107

Plumbers & Pipefitters Local #8  
9876 Hickman Mills Dr  
Kansas City MO 64137-1140

Contact: Frederick Jonas  
816-761-8800  
816-761-8801 (fax)

Plumbers & Pipefitters Training Center  
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Ranken Technical College  
4431 Fenney Ave  
St. Louis MO 63113

Contact: Pat Capps  
314-286-4885  
314-286-3620 (fax)

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Columbia MO 65202

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573-489-1375

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314-647-8705