

CHAPTER 39

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

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AN ACT

CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK ON BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REMOVING THE LICENSURE REQUIREMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO INSPECT, TEST, OR REPAIR THE DEVICES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-155-118, **amend** (4) as follows:

**12-155-118. Exemptions.** (4) ~~Persons~~ INDIVIDUALS who are engaged in ~~the business of installing, removing,~~ inspecting, testing, ~~and~~ OR repairing backflow prevention devices are ~~not~~ exempt from licensure under this article 155. ~~except when the persons are installing or testing a stand-alone fire suppression sprinkler system~~ INDIVIDUALS WHO ENGAGE IN THE INSTALLATION OR REMOVAL OF BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES ARE NOT EXEMPT FROM LICENSURE UNDER THIS ARTICLE 155, EXCEPT WHEN THE INDIVIDUALS ARE INSTALLING OR REPLACING A BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE ON A STAND-ALONE FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-33.5-1202 (6).

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 12-155-126 as follows:

**12-155-126. Backflow prevention devices - requirements - service information provided to customer.** (1) ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2025, A LICENSED PLUMBER WHO INSTALLS, TESTS, INSPECTS, REPAIRS, OR REINSTALLS A BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE SHALL AFFIX A TAG ON THE BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE THAT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

(a) THE NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF THE BUSINESS WITH WHICH THE LICENSED PLUMBER IS AFFILIATED;

(b) THE PLUMBING CONTRACTOR'S REGISTRATION NUMBER, OR THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE MASTER PLUMBER ATTACHED TO THE CONTRACTOR, ISSUED BY THE BOARD;

(c) THE DATE THE SERVICE WAS PROVIDED; AND

(d) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE PROVIDED.

(2) A LICENSED PLUMBER MAY DOCUMENT MULTIPLE SERVICES ON ONE TAG.

**SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 25-8-107** as follows:

**25-8-107. Cross-connection control services - backflow prevention devices - requirements - definitions.** (1) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION APPLIES TO OR AFFECTS ANY OTHER SECTION IN THIS ARTICLE 8.

(2) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT TO PERFORM INSPECTIONS.

(3) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES THE COMMISSION OR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION.

(4) (a) ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2025, A CERTIFIED CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN OR A LICENSED PLUMBER WITH A CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION WHO TESTS OR REPAIRS A BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE SHALL AFFIX A TAG ON THE BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE THAT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

(I) THE NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF THE BUSINESS WITH WHICH THE CERTIFIED CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN OR THE LICENSED PLUMBER WITH A CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION IS AFFILIATED;

(II) THE DATE THE SERVICE WAS PROVIDED;

(III) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE PROVIDED; AND

(IV) THE ASSE OR ABPA CERTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE CERTIFIED CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN OR THE LICENSED PLUMBER WITH A CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION, ALONG WITH THE PLUMBING CONTRACTOR'S REGISTRATION NUMBER OR THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE MASTER PLUMBER ATTACHED TO THE CONTRACTOR, ISSUED BY THE STATE PLUMBING BOARD, IF APPLICABLE.

(b) A CERTIFIED CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN OR A LICENSED PLUMBER WITH A CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION MAY DOCUMENT MULTIPLE SERVICES ON ONE TAG.

(5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(a) "ABPA" MEANS THE AMERICAN BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSOCIATION OR ITS SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION.

(b) "ASSE" MEANS THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SANITARY ENGINEERING OR ITS SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION.

(c) "CERTIFIED CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO POSSESSES A VALID BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY TESTER CERTIFICATION FROM THE ASSE OR THE ABPA.

(d) "LICENSED PLUMBER WITH A CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A LICENSED PLUMBER AND POSSESSES A VALID BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY TESTER CERTIFICATION FROM THE ASSE OR THE ABPA.

**SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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