



Backflow Freeze Protection

The winter season sometimes brings freezing temperatures to our area. Even if the “freeze” lasts only a short period of time, backflows and exposed pipes may be damaged. Damage occurs when the water inside expands while frozen. You may have no water if freezing occurs. Cracked or damaged devices and pipes may result in water loss and expensive repairs.

The District recommends customers cover their backflow devices with a burlap type material, or even a towel or blanket, then wrap with duct tape, leaving an opening for water discharge at the bottom of the backflow device. Enclosures and insulated protection products, such as decorative fiberglass rocks, are available. Contact your home improvement or irrigation supply store for availability.

The responsibility of protecting the backflow preventer or outdoor plumbing is that of the customer. The information above is to be used at the customer’s discretion as a method of protection for a limited period of time. Please contact your certified backflow tester or plumber for assistance, or contact the District during regular business hours.