

July 15, 2015

Sample Text
Red Hook, NY 12571

Re: Village Law Upgrade - Cross-connection/Backflow Prevention.

Dear

In accord with New York State Department of Health rules our village has established local law that will satisfy state requirements to protect our water supply. The local newspaper ran a story with details and the village board has held public meetings and hearings on the matter.

Certain types of property uses will require attention to a new detail; namely confirming the presence of or commencement of a plan and installing a device to prevent backflow contamination of the municipal water supply. We have identified your property as one needing cross contamination/back flow protection installed and operational.

We are seeking your cooperation and are willing to work with you on this program. Coordination and information are available from our Building Department at 758-1081. They will be monitoring the process which involves you filing a permit by August 1, 2015 and having the appropriate device functional by March 31 2016. Our permit fee is \$75 and you will have to either confirm the presence of an approved device or begin the process of having one installed by outside contractors.

We deliberately planned a window of time to get the matter addressed but it is a required step so that all parties comply with NYS regulations. Our staff and water department are very willing to speak with you and provide more details but, in general, homes with swimming pools and certain commercial occupancies will require a professional review and design modification in the water supply connection by an outside engineer with annual tests by an outside vendor.

The goal of the program, developed by NYS, is to insure that contaminated water does not reverse flow into the villages' water distribution system and protect the health of all our users.

Very Truly Yours

Ed Blundell
Mayor

