

641—26.6 (135K) Standards of conduct.

26.6(1) A registered tester shall comply with these rules and with the ordinances, rules and policies of the administrative authority in each jurisdiction in which the registered tester tests or repairs a backflow prevention assembly.

26.6(2) A registered tester shall maintain a record for each backflow prevention assembly tested for at least five years after the date on which the assembly was tested. Where required by ordinance, the registered tester shall submit to the administrative authority a completed test report on a form approved by the administrative authority. The record may be reviewed during normal business hours by an authorized representative of the department or by an authorized representative of the administrative authority of the jurisdiction in which the assembly is located. The assembly record shall include at least:

- a.* The name, address and telephone number of the assembly owner.
- b.* The location of the facility in which the assembly is located.
- c.* The location of the assembly within the facility.
- d.* The type, brand, model, size, and serial number of the assembly.
- e.* The date and time of the test.
- f.* Results of the test.
- g.* Any assembly repairs or maintenance.

26.6(3) A registered tester shall use a differential pressure gauge to field test a backflow prevention assembly. Methods of testing that use other types of equipment, such as but not limited to dual pressure gauges, water columns, or single pressure gauges, shall not be acceptable.

a. The accuracy of a differential pressure gauge used to test backflow prevention assemblies shall be verified no less frequently than every 13 months. The accuracy verification results shall be traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Any differential pressure gauge with an error of more than plus or minus 0.2 psi shall not be used to test a backflow prevention assembly.

b. For every test report record retained in accordance with the requirements of subrule 26.6(2), the most recent accuracy verification, for the differential pressure gauge used, performed prior to that test report date shall be retained.

c. The accuracy verification records shall be made available to an authorized representative of the department or by an authorized representative of the administrative authority of the jurisdiction in which the assembly is located.