

How do you determine if the potential for backflow to occur exists?

The potential for backflow to occur exists if:

- ❖ a premises has an auxiliary source of water on or available to it
- ❖ there are interchangeable connections
- ❖ internal connections are not correctable or are too intricate to be easily traced
- ❖ a substance is handled in a manner that creates, or may create, a hazard to the public water system
- ❖ access and/or security restrictions prohibit a complete survey
- ❖ the premises has a history of cross-connections being established or re-established

Mahoning County has the authority to require a containment backflow prevention assembly at any premises regardless of the isolation protection provided at the individual fixtures.