

Foundation for Cross-Connection Control & Hydraulic Research

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Approval

One of the most common questions received by the Foundation concerns the current Approval status of a particular backflow prevention assembly. When these questions arise, the Members of the Foundation should reference the most recent copy of the "List of Approved Backflow Prevention Assemblies". There are time frames when a new backflow prevention assembly has just been granted Approval, however, the updated List has not been printed and distributed yet. We encourage the Members to contact the Foundation office to confirm the status of Approval during these interim periods.

The List of Approved Backflow Prevention Assemblies is the only document issued by the Foundation to be referenced for Approval status. Approval notations or markings on the assemblies themselves are not utilized in the Foundation's Specifications.

Many questions have been raised by the Members when they see wording such as:

"Meets or exceeds the requirements of the FCCCHR"

"Meets laboratory requirements of the FCCCHR"

"Complies with FCCCHR requirements"

Each of these statements could be misconstrued as meaning the assembly is Approved.

The literature or advertisements for a backflow prevention assembly shall only reference the University's or Foundation's name when it is Approved. A statement identical or similar to the following shall be used:

*Approved by the Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research at
the University of Southern California*

Should there be any questions regarding the Approval status of a particular assembly, consult the most recent copy of the List of Approved Backflow Prevention Assemblies issued by the Foundation.

Any literature or advertisement in question can be forwarded to the Foundation office for review.