1. **ABOVE GROUND INSTALLATION IS MANDATORY** FOR REDUCED PRESSURE BACKFLOW DEVICES.

2. REDUCED PRESSURE DEVICES ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL COMMERCIAL SERVICES AND FOR IRRIGATION SERVICES TO PROPERTIES USING ALTERNATE WATER SOURCES (INCLUDING WELLS, RECLAIMED WATER, PONDS, ETC.).

3. BACKFLOW DEVICE MUST BE INSTALLED BEHIND THE BACK OF SIDEWALK OUTSIDE OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY AND PROTECTED FROM TRAFFIC HAZARDS, EITHER BY LOCATION OR BARRIERS.

4. BACKFLOW DEVICE CAN BE INSTALLED WITHIN A BUILDING IN A DEDICATED UTILITY CLOSET IF THE BUILDING IS LOCATED WITHIN 20-FT OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY. THE BACKFLOW DEVICE IS PLACED AT THE CORNER OF THE BUILDING CLOSEST TO THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY WHERE THE CONNECTION IS MADE, AND WITH THE APPROVAL FROM THE WATER DIVISION CROSS CONNECTION SPECIALIST. THE BACKFLOW DEVICE MUST BE APPROVED BY AWWA FOR VERTICAL INSTALLATION.

5. VERTICAL INSTALLATIONS SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM CLEARANCE OF 3-FT FROM THE FRONT OF THE DEVICE AND 18-IN TO EACH SIDE OF THE DEVICE FROM ANY STRUCTURE, UTILITY, OR OTHER FEATURE FOR ACCESSIBILITY.

6. PIPE INSTALLATION TO THE BACKFLOW DEVICE SHALL MEET CITY STANDARD REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC WATER MAINS (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CORROSION PROTECTION, SAND BEDDING, AND PRESSURE TESTING). CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACTING WATER DIVISION INSPECTOR FOR INSPECTION OF PIPE INSTALLATION AND TESTING FROM THE CONNECTION AT THE WATER METER TO THE BACKFLOW DEVICE.

7. NO CONNECTIONS ARE ALLOWED BETWEEN THE WATER METER AND THE BACKFLOW ASSEMBLY, OR DIRECTLY TO THE BACKFLOW DEVICE. A THERMAL EXPANSION RELIEF VALVE SHALL BE INSTALLED BETWEEN BACKFLOW DEVICE AND WATER HEATERS BEING SERVED.

8. ALL PARTS MUST BE EASILY ACCESSIBLE FOR INSPECTION BY THE WATER DIVISION CROSS CONNECTION SPECIALIST.

9. ANY OTHER LOCATION OR METHOD OF INSTALLATION MUST BE APPROVED IN ADVANCE BY THE WATER DIVISION CROSS CONNECTION SPECIALIST.

10. ALL BURIED SECTIONS OF METALLIC PIPE AND FITTINGS BETWEEN THE WATER METER AND THE BACKFLOW DEVICE SHALL BE WRAPPED WITH 8-MIL POLYETHYLENE WRAP. WRAPPING METALLIC PIPE AND FITTINGS BEYOND THE BACKFLOW DEVICE IS RECOMMENDED, BUT NOT REQUIRED.

11. DRAINAGE SHALL BE PROVIDED IN THE UTILITY CLOSET (AS REQUIRED BY THE BUILDING DIVISION) TO DRAIN WATER THAT MAY BE RELEASED FROM THE TESTING OR DRAINAGE OF THE BACKFLOW DEVICE.

12. INSTALLATION MUST BE APPROVED BY THE WATER DIVISION CROSS CONNECTION SPECIALIST AND THE DEVICE TESTED BY A CITY APPROVED AWWA CERTIFIED BACKFLOW TESTER BEFORE WATER IS TURNED ON.

13. REDUCED PRESSURE BACKFLOW DEVICE MUST BE APPROVED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

14. NO TREES SHALL BE PLANTED WITHIN 10-FT, OR LARGE SHRUBS WITHIN 5-FT, OF DOUBLE CHECK VALVE.

15. APPROVED BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES SHALL BE INSTALLED AND TESTED AND WATER METERS SHALL BE SET, PRIOR TO ANY USE OF WATER SERVICE. USE OF JUMPERS, HOSE BIBS, OR OTHER DEVICES SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED.

16. THE VISUAL IMPACT OF BACKFLOW DEVICES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IF NOT PLACED WITHIN A UTILITY CLOSET.