

**Regulations
Town of Reading
Reimbursement for Sewer Backflow Prevention**

The Town of Reading is aware that residents may have experienced sewer backup into their homes through no fault of their own, and through no fault of the Town. This type of backup generally occurs in times of heavy rainfall. The Town recognizes that there are methods that homeowners may take to prevent sewer back up in their home, and that these measures are the responsibility of the property owner and take place on private property. The Town also wishes to assist homeowners in protecting their own property from such circumstances. There is hereby established a program of 50% reimbursement for such back flow prevention systems, and these regulations implement that policy.

1. The Town will reimburse, on a one time only basis, 50% of the cost of a sewer back flow prevention system for a one or two family dwelling up to a maximum Town expenditure of \$500 per dwelling.
2. With limited funding, priority will be given to locations that have actually had a sewer back up within the past 3 years.
3. The property owner will select the method of sewer back flow prevention. The Town will not recommend, or participate in the choice of system, and will not be responsible for the system.
4. The property owner will be solely responsible for the initial installation, maintenance, operation and replacement of the back flow prevention system as needed.
5. The homeowner will be responsible for securing all building, plumbing, and other permits required to perform the work, and will present proof of the permit and inspection at the time that a request for reimbursement is made. The system must conform to the requirements of Section 2.09 (4) (a-1) of the regulations of the Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters.
6. The property owner will sign a copy of these regulations acknowledging them, and will pay for the cost of filing this statement with the Register of Deeds and submit a receipted copy to the Department of Public Works for the Town's files.

Signature of Property

Address of Property Owner

Name of Property Owner