

Easy Prep Steps – Spring Activation

When it is time to start your sprinklers again, the following are the Easy Prep Steps to do prior to the technician arriving for your scheduled appointment.

DO THESE STEPS BEFORE TURNING WATER BACK ON!

Step 1: Go outside to your backflow. The backflow sits on the pipes that come out of your house. Shut the first valve off (#1) that you come to on the backflow pipe as it comes out of the house. This valve is between the backflow and the house. The handle should be perpendicular or “T” to the pipe. *NOTE: Some systems have a drain before the first shut off valve (#1). If so, please close this drain before proceeding to Step 2.*

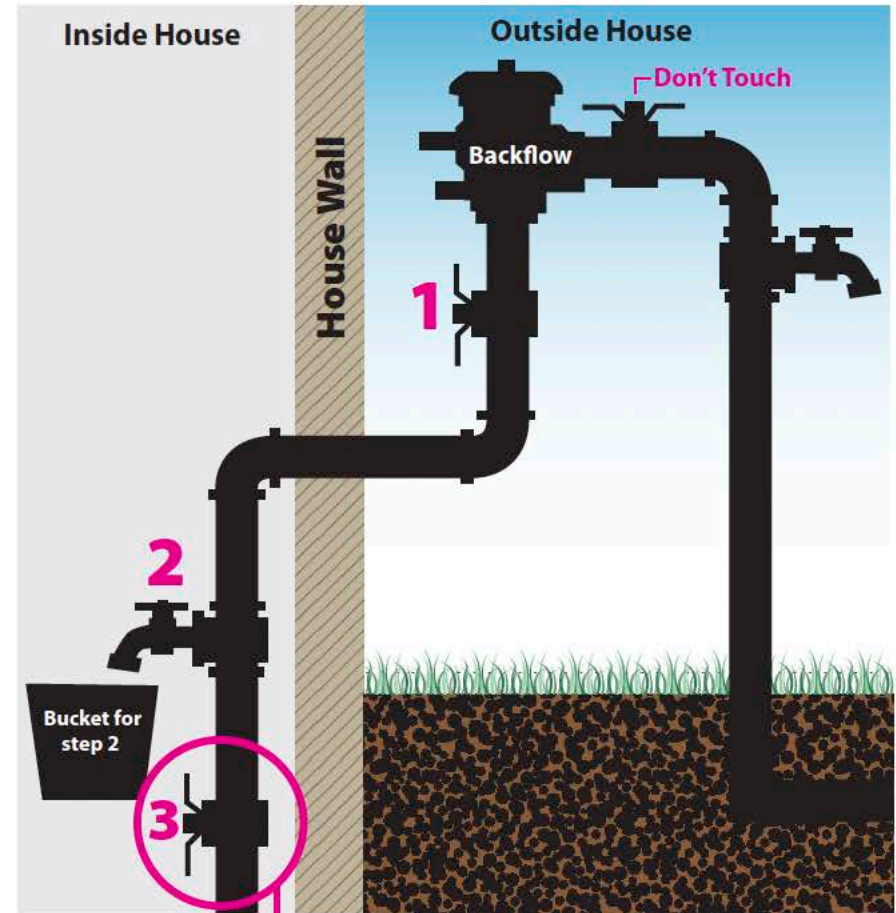
Step 2: Go back into the house where your sprinkler water line is located. (follow the pipes that come out of your backflow inside your house. This is where your sprinkler water line is). If you have an inside drain (#2), close it. It will be located above the shut off handle (#3). Please note: you may not have an inside drain. Also, if you had a bucket there this winter, you may leave the bucket underneath for next winter.

Step 3: Turn on the water to the sprinkler system in your basement. The sprinkler water line is right next to the main house water line (#3). Right now, the handle should be perpendicular or “T” to the pipe (this is the OFF position). Move the handle so it is flush or parallel with the pipe, this will be the ON position (#3).

Step 4: Go back outside and check for any leaks on or around your backflow. If you see water leaking, shut the water back off to your sprinkler system and notify us.

Step 5: Turn the timer on for the season and you will be ready for your scheduled Spring Activation appointment.

Some systems vary. If any of these steps or diagrams don't look familiar, please call our office for instructions 402-553-5204 or email sprinklers@suncolawns.com



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