I hope everyone is doing well. We are opening the test cage up for recertifications and new testers. This email and the attachment contain instructions for signing up for an appointment and for the day of your test.

**For recertification** follow the following steps:

- Step 1- Click here to schedule an backflow tester recertification appointment.
- Step 2- Enter your first name, last name, and cell phone #. Your cell phone number is associated to your appointment. Cell phone numbers cannot be shared by multiple testers. Click next ->
- Step 3- Enter your email address and business name (if applicable). Click next->
- Step 4- Select the Backflow Test Scheduling Appointments Only. Click next->
- Step 5- Select **Date and Time you would like your appointment.** (You can arrow forward for more dates) Click next->
- Step 6- Once you select the date and time of your appointment. You will receive a text message with information about your appointment.
- Step 7- Enter your email. Click next->
- Step 8- Enter your OC Tester # or New, the date of your last refresher class or new, and the refresher class provider or new. Click next->
- Step 9- Click done
- Step 10- Additional email instructions (see attachment ) will be mailed to you from the QLess system. Please ensure to read these instructions thoroughly and complete all required paperwork prior to your appointment. If you do not receive the email, check your junk mail and allow for emails from the QLess system.

**Congratulations!** You are scheduled for a recertification appointment. Ensure you are in the lobby at your scheduled appointment time, with a method to pay the required fee(s) and a completed application. The backflow test will be 1 hour and will include testing of 4 backflow devices per the USC manual of Cross-Connection Control Tenth Edition.

**For new Testers to Orange County**, contact us at 714-433-6284 Please provide documentation for the 40-hour backflow class you have passed and we will help you schedule the written test and the handson practical.

**Note:** If you have become a certified backflow tester through the AWWA, USC, ABPA or IAPMO within the last 3 months (including renewals), we can waive the practical test and proceed to processing your renewal application and payment. Email a copy of your tester certification and the completed application to OCbackflowtests@ochca.com. We can assist scheduling an office appointment to pay for the renewal.

For testers who have let their OC Backflow tester certifications expire, please call us at 714-433-6284 to discuss your next steps to get recertified.