

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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**AREA WATER PRESSURE TESTS**

**Area Water Pressure Test and Automatic Flushers**

DC Water finds it necessary at times to place a pressure monitoring recording devices on fire hydrants, to record a continuous evaluation of water pressure within the distribution system. Automatic flusher are also used on fire hydrants for water quality purposes. For either device to work correctly DC Water must turn the fire hydrant on fully.

**These fire hydrants are NOT classified out of service and can be utilized by Fire and EMS personnel, for emergency operations only!**

If a pressure monitoring device gauge or an automatic flusher is attached to a fire hydrant, personnel must turn the fire hydrant off prior to removing the device or attempting any connections. Personnel must use care when removing these devices during emergency operations. At the conclusion of the emergency, personnel will reattach the device and recharge the fire hydrant.

**Personnel will contact DC Water Command Center at 202-612-3401 or via radio on DC-UCC-4 to request a crew to respond if problems occur with the auto-flusher or pressure monitoring recording device.**