

WATER REGULATIONS INFORMATION SHEET



NOTIFICATION **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO DESIGNERS & INSTALLERS**

The Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999 apply to all new works on water service installations in England and Wales. A requirement of these Regulations is that certain types of work are notified to the Water Undertaker at least 10 days prior to commencement.

These works are: -

- 1) The erection of a building or other structure, not being a pond or swimming pool.
- 2) The extension or alteration of a water system on any premises other than a house.
- 3) A material change of use of any premises.
- 4) The installation of –
 - a) a bath having a capacity, as measured to the centre line of overflow, of more than 230 litres;
 - b) a bidet with an ascending spray or flexible hose;
 - c) a single shower unit of a type specified by the Regulator (**none currently specified**);
 - d) a pump or booster drawing more than 12 litres per minute, connected directly or indirectly to a supply pipe;
 - e) a unit which incorporates reverse osmosis;
 - f) a water treatment unit which produces a waste water discharge or which requires the use of water for regeneration or cleaning;
 - g) a reduced pressure zone valve assembly or other mechanical device for protection against a fluid which is in fluid category 4 or 5;
 - h) a garden watering system unless designed to be operated by hand; or
 - i) any water system laid outside a building and either less than 750mm or more than 1350mm below ground level.
- 5) The construction of a pond or swimming pool with a capacity greater than 10,000 litres which is designed to be replenished by automatic means and is to be filled with water supplied by an undertaker.

This Notice shall contain details of the premises, the proposed changes and the installer. It shall also include drawings of the proposed installation. The Notification should be sent to:

**Essex & Suffolk Water,
Water Regulations Dept, Sandon Valley House,
East Hanningfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM3 8BD**

Failure to comply with the Regulations is an offence, which may result in a fine of up to Level 3 on the standard scale, upon summary conviction. If you have any further queries, please contact our Water Regulations Team on 01268 664004.

The information contained within this document is for information only and is correct at the time of issue. All installations must conform to the requirements of the Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999. Essex & Suffolk Water can accept no liability for any loss or injury resulting from the use of this information.