

# Private water supply – guidance guidance & advice factsheet.



## Private Water Supply

If you have a private water supply - generally taken from sources like wells, boreholes and sometimes rivers, then it is your local authority and not us who has a responsibility to make sure that you comply with the Private Water Supply Regulations.

However, if your private supply is backed-up with water from us, it's our responsibility to make sure your plumbing conforms to the Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999. These among other things, prevent your pipework and appliances contaminating the drinking water.

For more information on private supplies, contact your local authority or check out the Drinking Water Inspectorate website DWI Private Water Supplies.

## What are the water supply regulations?

These regulations are known as: The Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999 and they apply in England and Wales. These regulations are national requirements for the design, installation and maintenance of plumbing systems within the boundary of a residential or commercial property. They apply to all water pipes, water fittings, appliances that use water and all other plumbing within the property. The purpose of the regulations is to prevent waste, misuse, undue consumption, erroneous measurement of water and, most importantly to prevent contamination to the water supply.

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