



guardians of drinking water quality
DRINKING WATER INSPECTORATE

TYPES OF PRIVATE WATER SUPPLIES AND THE IMPLICATIONS TO YOU

The implication as an owner will depend on what the water supply is used for and the volume of water being used.

Types of supplies	Volume of water used	Implications	Regulation applicable
A supply that is used for only your domestic dwelling	Where less than 10m³ per day is used	You can request a risk assessment and monitoring (sampling and analysis) from your local authority who are likely to make a charge. If this or any other information indicates the supply may be a risk to health, the local authority can advise you on short, medium and long term protection of your supply.	Regulation 2
If your supply is for your domestic dwelling and the dwelling is being rented to tenant	Where less than 10m³ is used per day	These supplies require a risk assessment at a minimum frequency of every 5 years, as well as annual monitoring (sampling and analysis) for which a charge will be made for costs up to a specified maximum. You, as the owner of the supply, are required to carry out any required improvements to the supply to ensure it is safe. Depending on local arrangements, you may be able to recover these costs from the other consumers of the supply.	Regulation 9
A supply that is for domestic purposes, to more than one domestic dwelling	Where less than 10m³ per day is used	This is where all the properties on the supply use the water solely for domestic purposes, and the total volume used is less than 10m ³ per day. The local authority will need to undertake a risk assessment and analysis a minimum of every 5 years, for which they will charge you their costs up to a maximum figure. (see Explanatory leaflet) . You would be required to complete any improvements to the supply to ensure it is safe. Depending on local arrangements the costs can be split between you and the other consumers of the supply.	Regulation 10
If your supply is for your domestic dwelling and another public building	Where less than 10m³ is used per day	These supplies require a risk assessment at a minimum frequency of every 5 years, as well as annual monitoring (sampling and analysis) for which a charge will be made for costs up to a specified maximum. A public building is a library, surgery, restaurant, etc.	Regulation 9

<p>If your supply is for your domestic dwelling and the water is being used for commercial purposes (included tenanted dwellings)</p>		<p>A commercial premises could be a food premises, a B and B, hotel, etc. (see information note for regulation 9). These supplies require a risk assessment at a minimum frequency of every 5 years, as well as annual monitoring (sampling and analysis) for which a charge will be made for costs up to a specified.</p> <p>NB. In England a single domestic dwelling that is tenanted may, under some circumstances, be a regulation 9 supply. In Wales this does not apply and rented single domestic dwellings are regulation 10 supplies that require no monitoring unless it is requested by a relevant person, which is chargeable.</p> <p>Owners of a supply or other relevant person(s) are required to carry out any required improvements to the supply to ensure it is safe. Depending on local arrangements, you may be able to recover these costs from the other consumers of the supply.</p>	<p>Regulation 9</p>
<p>If your supply is for domestic purposes, to more than one domestic dwelling</p>	<p>Where greater than 10m³ is used per day</p>	<p>These are supplies which require a risk assessment at a minimum frequency of every 5 years, as well as annual monitoring (sampling and analysis) for which a charge will be made for costs up to a specified maximum. You, as the owner of the supply, are required to carry out any required improvements to the supply to ensure it is safe. Depending on local arrangements, you may be able to recover these costs from the other consumers of the supply.</p>	<p>Regulation 9</p>
<p>If your property is a public building or the water is being used for commercial purposes</p>	<p>Where less than 10m³ per day is used</p>	<p>A risk assessment is required a minimum frequency of every 5 years, as well as annual monitoring (sampling and analysis) for which the local authority is likely to make a charge. You would be required to complete any required improvements to the supply to ensure it is</p>	<p>Regulation 9</p>