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TEST CODE SHEET

1. $\underline{\text{TYPE OF TEST(S)}}$

Marking for identification.

2. WATER REGULATIONS REQUIREMENTS FOR FITTINGS

Schedule 2

3 - (1) No person shall (a) instal a water fitting to convey or receive water supplied by a water undertaker, or alter, disconnect or use such a water fitting; or (b) cause or permit such a water fitting to be installed, altered, disconnected or used, in contravention of the regulations.

NOTE It follows that any persons shall be able to identify any water fitting proposed to be used to ensure that both the fitting, and the manner of its installation, shall meet the requirements of the regulations. Other specific regulations requiring the marking of installation requirements are detailed below in the criteria.

3. BRITISH STANDARDS OR WATER SPECIFICATION, DEEMED TO SATISFY WATER REGULATIONS REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Fittings with 'kitemarks' which are deemed to satisfy the requirements of regulations are listed in the directory.

4. <u>TEST PROCEDURE</u>

4.1 Tests applicable to the following fittings:-

ALL FITTINGS

(A) <u>ALL FITTINGS</u>

TEST METHOD

Every fitting and appliance shall be examined to establish that it is marked, labelled or plated in an appropriate manner to enable its course, purpose, application and manner of installation to be identified.

5. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

The mark, label or plate shall include reference to the manufacturer or factor and any other information necessary to enable it to be clearly identified. Certain fittings and appliances shall include other information in the marking or on the label or plate (see overleaf),

The identification mark shall be made on, or the label or plate attached to, the fitting or appliance where it will be accessible after installation so far as is reasonably practicable.

Marking shall be of an appropriate permanent nature by means of acid etching, embossing, rolling-in, stamping, a soldered-on plate etc.

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(B) <u>BRASS FITTINGS</u>

5. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

Brass fittings made of dezincification resistant brass shall be marked "CR".

(C) <u>CISTERNS, TANKS, CYLINDERS</u>

5. ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Every cistern, tank, cylinder, expansion vessel etc, shall be marked or labelled to indicate the capacity.

Every tank, cylinder, expansion vessel etc, shall be marked or labelled to indicate the maximum working water pressure to which it may be subjected.

Every flushing cistern or trough for use with a watercloset pan shall be marked indelibly on the inside with a line indicating the water level at which the float-operated valve is to shut off to give the appropriate volume of water for flushing purposes. [Regulation 25 - (1) (f)]

(D) <u>TUBES AND PIPE</u>

5. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

Tube and pipe of every material to an applicable standard deemed to satisfy byelaw requirements shall be marked in accordance with the requirements of that standard. Copper tube to BS 2871 Part 1 additionally shall be marked with the month and year of manufacture adjacent to each marking required by that standard.

Tube and pipe of every material otherwise shall be marked permanently by a means (not labelled) at intervals not exceeding 500mm with the type and/or class of material, the manufacturers means of identification and the year of manufacture.

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(E) REDUCED PRESSURE PRINCIPLE BACKFLOW PREVENTERS (RPZ VALVES)

(Derived from Doc. prEN doc. 164108)

5. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

Backflow protection devices shall be marked permanently and visibly on the casing, or on a fixed data plate.

This information shall be on the upperside, or on each lateral side of the device. The indications are to be indelible and obtained by moulding, engraving or similar procedures.

- (a) Name, manufacturer's brand or logo.
- (b) Arrow indicating normal direction of flow.
- (c) Nominal size (DN).
- (d) Conformance with the appropriate European product standard.
- (e) Acoustic group.
- (f) Nominal pressure (PN).
- (g) Reference (type or model...)
- (h) Type of materials used for the body. (DZR mark where applicable).
- (i) The individual identification number.

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(F) WC SUITES

(Derived from The Regulators Spec. for WC Suites: March 2000)

5. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

Every flushing cistern or trough for use with a water closet pan shall be marked with the following;

- (i) The pan and cistern shall have a manufacturers identification / model number permanently marked in such a position that it will be readily visible once the suite is installed.
- (ii) The inside of the cistern shall be indelibly marked with:
 - (a) a permanent mark indicating the water level at which the float operated valve is to shut off to give the appropriate volume of water for flushing purposes.
 - (b) an indication of the flush volume.

For flushing cisterns designed to give flushes of different volumes, there shall be instructions clearly and permanently marked on the cistern or displayed nearby, for operating it to obtain the different volumes of flush.