

Water Sector Approvals Schemes

The WRc Group offers a complimentary set of approval schemes for water sector products and contractors, covering both regulatory requirements, standards and independent 'fitness for purpose' assessment. Whether you are introducing a new water fitting, marketing a novel methodology or providing a contract service we can help you differentiate yourself from the competition.

WRc Approved™



'WRc Approved' is an "independent fitness for purpose" technical view on whether a product is fit to do the job for which it is claimed, or whether a contractor is fit to provide a specified service.

Products and services submitted for approval are assessed by WRc against an existing technical specification (e.g. Water Industry Specification) or an assessment schedule drafted for the specific product or service.

Products and services, which have been awarded a 'WRc Approved' certificate, are eligible to use the 'WRc Approved' logo in their marketing.

More information on WRc Approved™ can be found on their web site at: www.wrcapproved.com

The Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS)



The Water Fittings Regulations (or Byelaws 2000 in Scotland) are national requirements to prevent misuse, waste, undue consumption and to prevent contamination of drinking water. They replace the former Water Supply Byelaws. All plumbing systems, water fittings and equipment supplied, or to be supplied, from the public water supply come under these regulations.

The Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) specifies tests to determine whether fittings and materials comply with the regulations. Products approved under the WRAS are listed in the Water Fittings and Materials Directory (WFMD).

More information on the WRAS can be found on their web site at: www.wras.co.uk

BuildCert



BuildCert supplies product certifications for building and plumbing devices and materials that demonstrate compliance with European standards under the Construction Products Directive. BuildCert provides certification for a wide range of water fittings and fixtures, control valves, appliances, building materials, pipe and heating system components.

BuildCert is an independent third party certification which provides access to the CE Mark for products covered by harmonised European standards. The United Kingdom Accreditation Service, UKAS, accredits BuildCert for product certification.

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Regulation 25



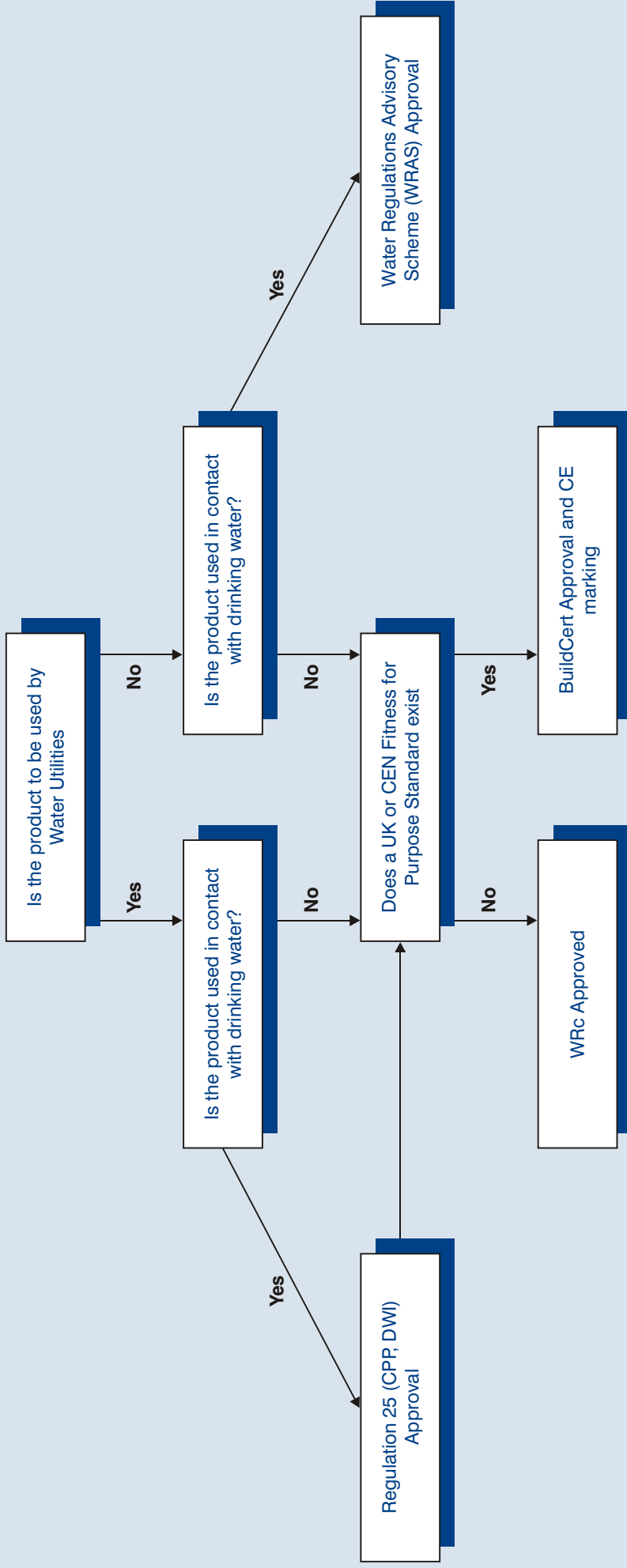
guardians of drinking water quality
DRINKING WATER INSPECTORATE

Regulation 25 approval applies to water contact materials used in the distribution system by Water Companies. Products undergo a toxicological assessment by the Committee on Products and Processes for Use in Public Water Supply (CPP) after which they are approved for use by the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food & Rural Affairs.

The Drinking Water Inspectorate (DWI) who undertakes regular audits and inspections of Water Companies, assessing compliance with the regulation administers the scheme.

More information on Regulation 25, the CPP and DWI can be found on their web site at: www.dwi.gov.uk

Water Sector Approvals Schemes - Decision Tree



Testing to Requirements of Regulation 25/Regulation 31

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