

WATER TREATMENT

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WATER QUALITY

- DRINKING WATER QUALITY IN NORWAY GOVERNED BY;
- REGULATIONS ON WATER SUPPLY AND WATER INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION (DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS)
- EFFECTIVE FROM 2017



WATER QUALITY – WHAT SHOULD WE EXPECT

• E.COLI

0 COUNT/100ML

CLOSTRIDIUM PERFRINGENS 0 COUNT/100ML

COLONY COUNT @22°C

<100CFU/ML

NO ABNORMAL CHANGE



WATER QUALITY – WHAT SHOULD WE EXPECT

COLOUR -

NORWEGIAN FOOD SAFETY AUTHORITY
<20MG/L PT

TURBIDITY -

NORWEGIAN FOOD SAFETY AUTHORITY

<1NTU

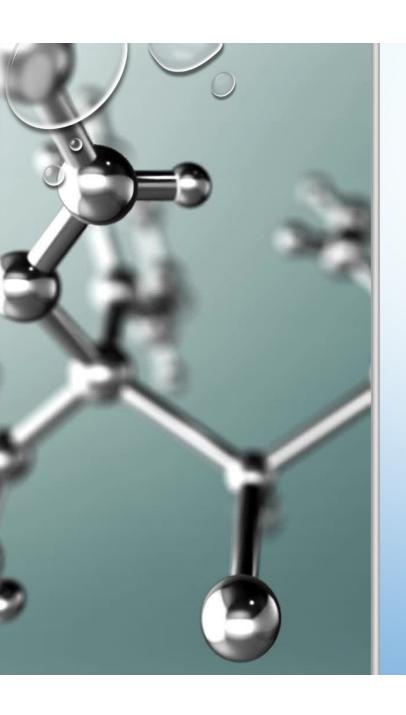




• ARE THE STANDARDS MAINTAINED BY THE WATER SUPPLIER GOOD ENOUGH?

 WOULD WE EXPECT TO MANAGE THE WATER QUALITY IN A WELL DESIGNED BUILDING?





PARTICULATES

 ADHERING TO NORWEGIAN STANDARDS CAN STILL CREATE PARTICULATES

FALL OUT OF HUMIC MATERIAL

APPROACH FOR PARTICULATE REMOVAL



Settlement

The introduction of water storage tanks can provide an environment for particulates to settle out

Increase need to clean the tank out



Filtration

The physical removal of particulates

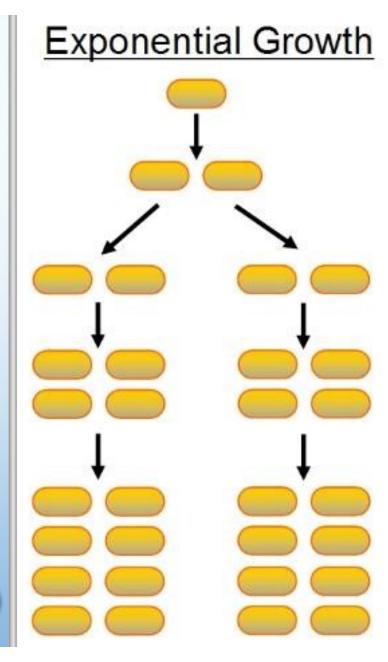
Comes in a range of filter sizes — which one to use??

Need to maintain

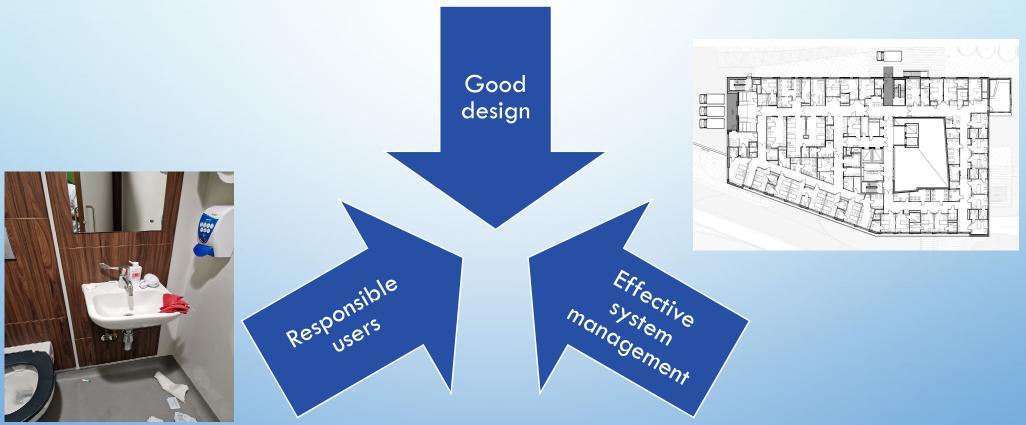
Potential for fine particles still to pass through to the distribution



- IS THERE A PROBLEM?
- NOT ALL CHALLENGE ORGANISMS MONITORED
- LOW NUMBERS MAY ALWAYS BE PRESENT



BACTERIAL CHALLENGE – HOW TO REDUCE RISK





SUPPLEMENTARY TREATMENTS

- WHAT IS A SUPPLEMENTARY TREATMENT?
- A PRODUCT OR PROCESS USED TO KILL BACTERIA
- NORMALLY USED WHERE WE LACK CONFIDENCE IN THE WAY WE OPERATE A DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEM.
- MUST BE SAFE TO THE END USER

SUPPLEMENTARY TREATMENTS



ULTRA VIOLET – UV



CHLORINE



CHLORINE DIOXIDE



SILVER/COPPER IONISATION



ULTRA VIOLET

- USES ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT TO KILL BACTERIA
- FOR EFFECTIVE AGAINST WIDE RANGE OF

 CHALLENGE ORGANISMS
- AGAINST -
- NEEDS 5M FILTRATION AS PARTICULATES ALLOW HIDEOUT
- ONLY KILLS WHAT PASSES THROUGH





- DISPERSIVE GET INTO AND AROUND THE SYSTEM
- ONLY GIVES PROTECTION TO THE WHOLE SYSTEM IF TAPS/SHOWERS ARE USED
- CARRY ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY



OTHER APPROACHES

NEED ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT











CHLORINE - PROS

- CONTACT KILLER
- EASY TO USE
- EASY TO MONITOR AND CONTROL
- CAN DOSE OVER A LARGE RANGE UP TO 5PPM
- COST EFFECTIVE
- BIOFILM REMOVAL???







CHLORINE - CONS

pH sensitive, works best <7.8

Heat sensitive

Can produce by products

Biofilm Removal??



- CONTACT KILLER
- NOT PH DEPENDANT
- EASY TO CONTROL, EASY TO MONITOR??
- BREAKS DOWN SOME CONTAMINANTS IN THE WATER
- ACKNOWLEDGED BIOFILM REMOVAL PROPERTIES





CHLORINE DIOXIDE - CONS

Fairly unstable, has to be generated on site

Can be driven out of the water especially in the hot

Generates other by products which can limit useful range

SILVER/COPPER IONISATION - PROS

- ELECTROSTATIC POISON
- BETTER ENVIRONMENTAL PROFILE
- ACKNOWLEDGED BIOFILM REMOVAL PROPERTIES
- NO CHEMICAL HANDLING REQUIREMENT



SILVER/COPPER IONISATION - CONS

Reliable on site monitoring and control not available

Expensive in use

Can be affected by corrosion

