



Bristol Water Plc – Scopes Recognised under the WIRSAE Scheme and Addendums to the **WIRSAE** Generic Code of Practice

This Document details Bristol Water Plc specific Code of Practice requirements under the WIRSAE scheme for Accredited Entities. Further details of the scheme and how to apply for accreditation can be found on the Lloyds Register website at the following location;

<http://www.lr.org/en/utilities-building-assurance-schemes/uk-schemes/water-industry-registration-scheme/wirs-accreditation-for-self-lay-organisations.aspx>

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1. Scope of AE activities permissible in the Bristol Water region

Bristol Water Plc recognises the Water Industry Accredited Entity Scheme (WIRSAE) and will allow accredited entities under this scheme to carry out the following defined activities on behalf of a Retailer:

1. Temporary Disconnection and Re-Connection Non-Household Premises up to and including 40mm sized supply.(TDNHS)
2. Temporary Disconnection and Re-Connection Non-Household Premises over 40mm sized supply (TDNHA)
3. Installation or replacement meter in existing chamber / inside building up to and including 40mm sized supply (MIAES)
4. Installation or replacement meter in existing chamber / inside building over 40mm sized supply (MIAEL)

2. Metering Activities Addendum

Meter Location

Our preferred method for the control and metering of water supplies is a boundary box fitted, where possible, less than one metre inside of the boundary of the property it serves, in a position which gives our meter reader unimpeded access. Hard surfaces such as paths are preferred to flower beds and lawns, as the boxes will become lost in the undergrowth in years to come. Where this is not possible, the boundary box may be installed in the public footpath that fronts the property. The meter can only be located in a driveway, vehicular crossing or car parking area if that vehicular area is used solely by the occupants of the property which the boundary box serves. Meter boxes cannot be installed in communal vehicular areas. We do not routinely accept the installation of internal meters. We may permit their use in certain, more unusual,

circumstances such as on supplies to blocks of high-rise flats with boosted/pumped systems. In all cases we would have to agree that the use of boundary boxes or wall-mounted boxes was unfeasible.

Meter Menu

For our latest Meter Menu, please refer to:

<https://www.bristolwater.co.uk/your-business/wholesale-information/wholesale-charges/>

Bristol Water will supply replacement meters to Accredited Entities at no cost. Please contact our Wholesale Desk at Wholesale.desk@bristolwater.co.uk for further details.

Meter Accuracy Testing

Bristol Water has a contract with a UKAS Accredited Testing Centre call Stream Measurement. Please contact our Wholesale Desk at wholesale.desk@bristolwater.co.uk for further details and prices.

Old Meters

All our replaced meters are still the property of Bristol Water Plc, please return them to:
Barrow Logistics Centre, Barrow Street, Barrow Gurney, Bristol BS48 3RY

Data Logging/Ancillary Equipment

Please refer to our policies <https://www.bristolwater.co.uk/your-business/wholesale-information/wholesale-charges/>

3. Disconnections/Reconnections

No additions to the Code of Practice

4. Inspections

Bristol Water Plc reserves the right to inspect Accredited Entity work at any time during the works progress.

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