



What are you doing to protect
against Legionella in your business?

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A simple, low cost risk assessment is the first step towards compliance

All non-residential properties are required to have a Legionella risk assessment in place. All businesses from retirement homes or sheltered accommodation with communal facilities, hotels, holiday parks, B&Bs, property management companies to restaurants and shops have a duty of care to their staff and customers and, as such, have to be aware of the potential dangers to their health.

Legionnaires disease is a potentially fatal form of pneumonia caused by the bacterium legionella pneumophila and other related bacteria that can be found naturally in environmental water sources such as rivers, lake and reservoirs. In a domestic setting, it can multiply where there is water stored between 20°C and 45°C.

An assessment is an investigation of the water systems in your premises to establish the potential for growth of the bacteria. It will identify areas where you are compliant and potentially areas where actions are required.

What can business owners do to limit the risk of infection?

In most smaller buildings, where smaller domestic water systems are installed and there is regular water usage, a simple assessment can be carried out by Allium Environmental. Where this shows that the risks are low, no further action is required.

In larger properties, such as hotels and large office spaces, where more complex air conditioning systems are in place, these can be of a higher risk for the incubation of Legionella bacteria.

If you would like free, impartial advice on how to manage the risks associated with your water system or are concerned about the risk of Legionella on your property, get in touch with one of our friendly and knowledgeable team by giving us a call on **01872 276375**

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