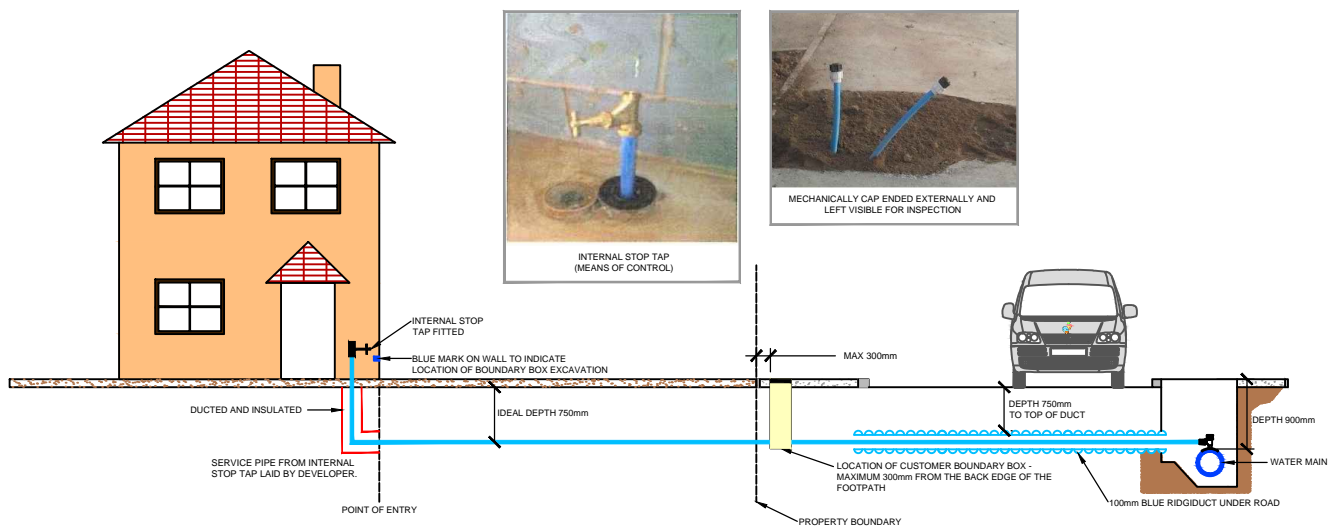


Installing Your Supply Pipe in Thames Waters' Area

New supply pipes must be installed in accordance with the Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations 1999 and in particular that:

- The depth of service pipe is between 750mm and 1350mm. Should a customer wish to lay a pipe less than 750mm or greater than 1350mm the customer must notify Thames Water prior to any work commencing.
- The service pipe is insulated and ducted at 750mm at the point of entry into the property and fitted with a stop tap internally.
- At the point of connections an end cap compression fitting has been installed to prevent ingress and contamination of the service pipe. The end cap fitting must be fitted prior to the pipe being laid.

Thames Waters' preference for the incoming stopping device would be a WRAS approved (see approved water fittings on WRAS website www.wras.co.uk) screw down tap with a brass body and seat washer. Where multiple new metered connections are bought out to a similar point the pipe tails should be labeled with the relevant plot number. This will prevent the possible cross connection of supply pipes.



These notes are to assist the developer in the correct installation of the water service supply and have been prepared on the basis the organisation undertaking the works is both competent and experienced in undertaking such activities.

The service pipe must be blue MDPE to BS6572, unless noted otherwise on the water design drawings.

For sites deemed contaminated by Thames Water a barrier service pipe must be installed, Protecta-Line by GPS PE pipe systems is the preferred material.

The developer must ensure the pipework passes the water regulations and this can be achieved either via an inspection by Thames Water or the developer provides a valid TAPS5 form for each plot.

If a TAPS5 form is not provided trenches will be left open until Thames Water has undertaken and inspection of the service pipe.

Infrastructure Gateway Ltd. must confirm with Thames Water that the regulations inspection have been passed before undertaking the water connections.

If, when Thames Water inspect the service pipes they find they have not been installed correctly the connection will be cancelled. The developer will need to rectify any defects identified by Thames Water before rescheduling a new service connection date with Infrastructure Gateway Ltd. Please note 10 days' notice is required to call off services.

For full details on Thames Water's requirements please refer to Passing Your New Water Supply Regulations, which is available to download from their website.

