

# Overcoming the Challenges of Tall Building Design

Meeting BREEAM WAT03 for Commercial buildings



## Outcome of Impacting Trends

- Population growth and planning processes are creating the conditions to build up rather than out
- Foreign investment in the 'secure' London housing market has created an explosion in apartment and office buildings
- Higher customer expectations have increased the demand for higher indoor comfort
- The technology drive has created the need for advanced digital components, as well as keeping up to date with environmental issues and changes to legislation

# BREEAM

BREEAM is the world's leading sustainability assessment method for master planning projects, infrastructure and buildings.

BREEAM inspires developers to innovate and make effective use of resources

A focus on sustainable value and efficiency makes BREEAM certified developments attractive property investments and enhances environmental wellbeing

BREEAM measures sustainable value in a series of categories, ranging from energy to ecology

Within every category, developments score points – called credits for achieving targets, and their final total determines their rating



## Meeting the Requirements of BREEAM Wat 03

- By reducing water loss through undetected leaks.
- By helping to prevent large scale flooding due to burst pipes or vandalism.
- To minimise water being wasted when taps are left running.

BREEAM offer 1 credit (under WAT03) for fitting a flow control system to all WC areas in a building, to minimise the impact of water loss.

WC areas that have a common water feed can be served by several PIR sensors connected to a single valve.



## Inside a typical 10 storey Commercial Office Building

- 3-6 WC's per floor
- 30-60 WC's per building  
(flushing toilets)
- 60-120 taps (Hot & Cold)

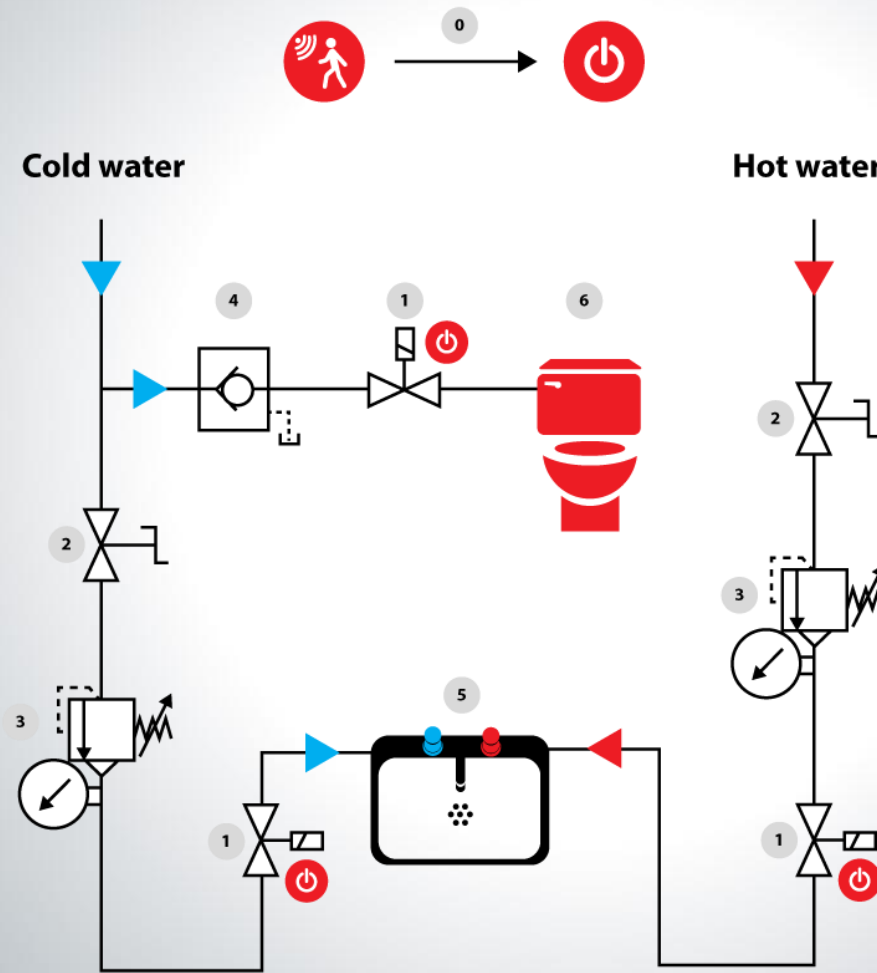
Solenoid valves and PIR Motion sensors are installed on each WC's to avoid uncontrolled water usage, leaks or damage when the toilet is not in use.

A "running" toilet can use up to 10 liters of water per hour, leading to an extremely high utility bill.





# A standard WC layout using PIR's & Solenoid valves



- 0 PIR sensor (motion sensor)
- 1 NC Solenoid valves G3/8 to G1", depending on pipe and connection size
- 2 Shut off valve
- 3 Pressure reducing unit with manometer
- 4 Protect against water backflow
- 5 Cold and warm water tap
- 6 Toilet

# Typical Solenoid Valve Specification

## 2/2 Servo-Operated Solenoid Valve:

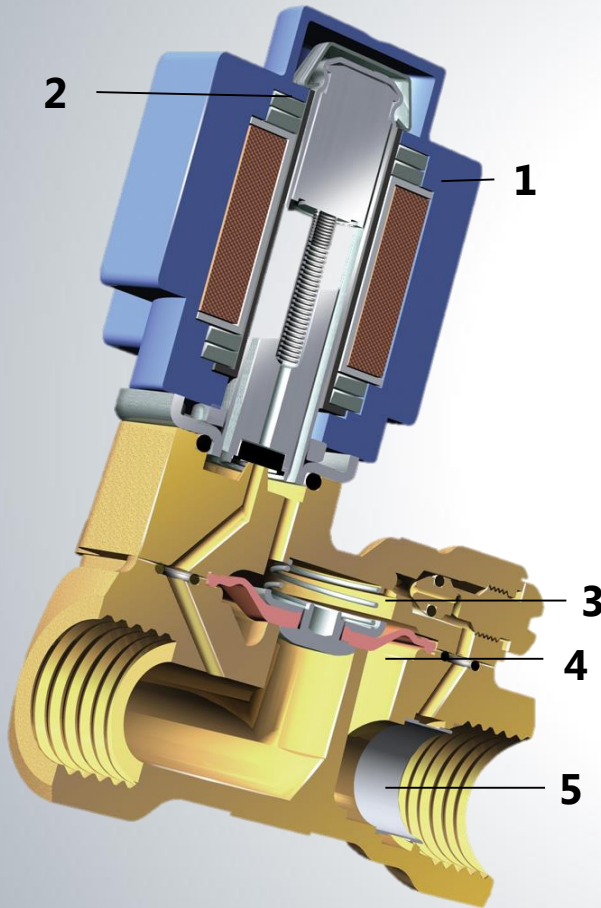
A High Performance Valve Boasts a Range of Benefits:

1. Clip-On Coil
2. IP 65 or 67 rating (Moisture resistant)
3. Water hammer damping - Adjustable closing time option
4. Long life and performance - Reinforced Diaphragm
5. Insensitive to dirt – A unique inbuilt self-cleaning filter to protect the pilot orifice

Square armature design enables the armature to move freely

Superior flow capability

- Available in Brass – DZR – Stainless Steel



Example of a Solenoid Valve

## Features of a high quality solenoid valve

- Ideal for instant water shut off
- Excellent KV values
- Robust & Reliable
- Easy to install
- Drinking water approvals:
  - WRAS
  - ACS 
  - PZH 
  - In accordance with: 
    - Low Voltage Directive 2015/35/EU
      - EN60730-1
      - EN60730-2-8
    - Pressure Equipment Directive 2014/68/EU
    - RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU



# Different System, Different Valve



(2/2 way)  
Indirect servo with  
self cleaning filter

High Performance  
15-50



(2/2 way)  
Direct servo without  
filter

Compact High  
Performance 6-22



(2/2 way) Assisted lift from  
0-bar – where low pressure  
is issue

Robust High Performance  
10-22



IP65 or IP67 (Hermetic seal  
against moisture penetration)  
simple Clip-On Coils



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