## What Is B.R.E.E.A.M?

Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) is a voluntary rating of sustainability for new, non domestic buildings in the UK. They support solutions to reduce carbon emissions to net zero, with project owners around the world relying on BREEAM to achieve their sustainability goals.

But how does BREEAM affect our industry, in particular water cooler installations?

## **How It Affects Water Cooler Installations**

BREEAM state that all new, non domestic buildings should have a supply of accessible, clean, and fresh drinking water.

They state POU water coolers specifically should be installed and made accessible to visitors. Depending on the site, multiple POU coolers should be installed, with 1 cooler per 200 users being the ultimate goal.

Why POU specifically? POU coolers are more sustainable than bottled coolers, adhereing to BREEAMs manifesto and beliefs. Bottled coolers rely on frequent deliveries of bottled water, which in turn creates the need for delivery vans to be on the road. Not only do they produce carbon emissions, the bottles themselves are also made from single use plastic.

By connecting the cooler to the mains water, the need for bottled deliveries and single use plastic is eliminated. Pairing a POU cooler with either a Klaran or Sip device further enhance the performance and sustainability factor of a cooler.

You can view our information hub for more information on Klaran and Sip.



## B.R.E.E.A.M Key Demands

In order to achieve the highest standard of sustainability and to promote a healthy environment, BREEAM have a few key demads that relate to our industry and products.

- BREEAM specify POU coolers as opposed to bottled coolers, fountains or water taps on the basis of better hygiene.
- 2. A minimum of 1 POU cooler for every 200 potential users. Especially in buildings with high visitor traffic.
- 3. All POU coolers should be attached to the wall and floor to protect electrical and mains water connections and prevent vandalism.



## **Our B.R.E.E.A.M Compliant Products**

We stock a variety of high quality, BREEAM compliant POU water coolers. We offer both floor standing and table top coolers to ensure flexibility throughout our range.

In line with BREEAMs values, we also offer a number of eco friendly products and accessories. Including boilers with eco technology and green reusable filters.

Make sure you check out our full range of products on our website, and join the movement towards a sustainable future.

