

Drinking Water Policy

The University aims for its drinking water provision to be sustainable and cost effective. Bottled water can cost up to 1000 times more than tap water with only 1 in 4 plastic bottles recycled. Due to this, London Metropolitan University encourage the use of tap water.

The Estates Department are undertaking the following to ensure drinking water is available:

- Provision of drinking water maps –staff.londonmet.ac.uk/employment-support/sustainability/action-areas/
- Including drinking water fountains are part of all new major refurbishments
- Providing drinking water fountains in key areas such as libraries and Met lounges to allow staff and students to draw off water for drinking using their own refillable bottles
- Providing free drinking water at all centrally managed catering outlets
- Undertaking a rolling programme of testing of potable drinking water units will ensure that the units are working correctly and that the water is of good quality and complies with all health and safety requirements

By undertaking above measures, Zip taps (plumbed-in water coolers with hot water option) and water coolers are no longer allowed to be installed anywhere across the Estate.

Water coolers should be installed only in exceptional cases. Units must be approved by the Estates Department and all installation and on-going maintenance and servicing costs will be the responsibility of the appropriate School or PSD.

If you wish to discuss any water supply issues please call the Estates Department on extension 5555 or email ask@londonmet.ac.uk.

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