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## **New 'Code of Practice' – does your water treatment plant comply with the standards?**

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PWTAG (Pool Water Treatment Advisory Group) is an independent, non-commercial organisation dedicated to raising standards in swimming pool water treatment.

Their publication 'SWIMMING POOL WATER: treatment and quality standards for pools and spas' (ISBN 0951700766) is the essential guide for everyone involved in the design, treatment and management of pools.

Within the 'red book' on p35 there is a section on 'choosing a water treatment contractor'. Sterling Hydrotech meets the essential criteria as we are certified to ISO9001:2008, have a successful record of quality work for more than 25 years and are a CIMSPA registered supplier. As a responsible contractor we are also familiar with (and use as the basis of our design philosophy) the recommendations and guidelines specified by PWTAG.

While drinking water and even coastal waters are subject to regulation in the UK, there is no equivalent specific regulation for the control of swimming pool water quality. To address this issue PWTAG has published in Nov 2012 a Code of Practice. The CoP is based substantially on the book 'SWIMMING POOL WATER: treatment and quality standards for pools and spas' (PWTAG 2009) and provides a practical summary of the recommendations and guidelines in the book, but also a specific charter to which pool operators can adhere and against which their operation can be evaluated. The CoP replaces PAS39 which has now been withdrawn.

**Sterling Hydrotech can offer practical advice on your water treatment plant and what actions you can undertake in order to comply with the recommendations and guidelines in the Code of Practice.**

To download a free copy of the PWTAG Code of Practice [click here](#) and follow the link

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