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Dear Sir,

WSD Circular Letter No. 6/2003 Advice on Installation of a Filter before the Flushing Valve

WSD Circular Letter No. 4/2000 dated 31 October 2000 requires the installation of a filter before flushing valves to cater for the unique situation in Hong Kong that sea water is generally used for flushing. As sea water has impurities, installation of a filter is required to screen out the impurities to prevent the flushing valves from being jammed. The filter needs to be installed in such a way to allow regular inspection and cleaning.

Some participants in the plumbing industry propose the use of a built-in strainer in the flushing valve in place of the filter. If the former design is adopted, the designer must ensure that the built-in strainer can be readily inspected and cleaned. Otherwise, the installation of a filter readily accessible for inspection and cleaning is suggested.

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Yours faithfully,

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