

On October 1, ASHRAE put on their website the draft Standard 188 titled, “Prevention of Legionellosis Associated with Building Water Systems” that is now open for public review until November 15.

This new ASHRAE standard details a specific HACCP process for implementing Legionella risk management and also details specific buildings with higher risk that need to implement this process with specific requirements for buildings with the following risk factors:

- multiple rooms or housing units supplied by one or more centralized hot water heaters,
- more than 10 stories high (including any levels that are below grade),
- all healthcare facilities,
- occupants include immunocompromised individuals
- one or more whirlpools and/or spas either within it or located on its premises
- one or more aerosol-generating water features or devices (e.g., ornamental fountains, direct evaporative coolers, misters (atomizers), air washers or humidifiers) either within it or located on its premises, or
- the total halogen concentration of the incoming potable water supply to the building is less than 0.5 mg/L (0.5 ppm) as Cl₂.

DIRECTIONS TO ASHRAE WEBSITE FOR NEW DRAFT STANDARD 188

Go to page <http://www.ashrae.org/technology/page/331>

Towards the bottom of the page you will see “Public Review Draft Standards and Online Comment Database” just below the title and to the right click the big “click here” button

Then go to the very bottom of the webpage and click on “BSR/ASHRAE Standard 188P, Prevention of Legionellosis Associated with Building Water Systems (First Public Review Draft)”