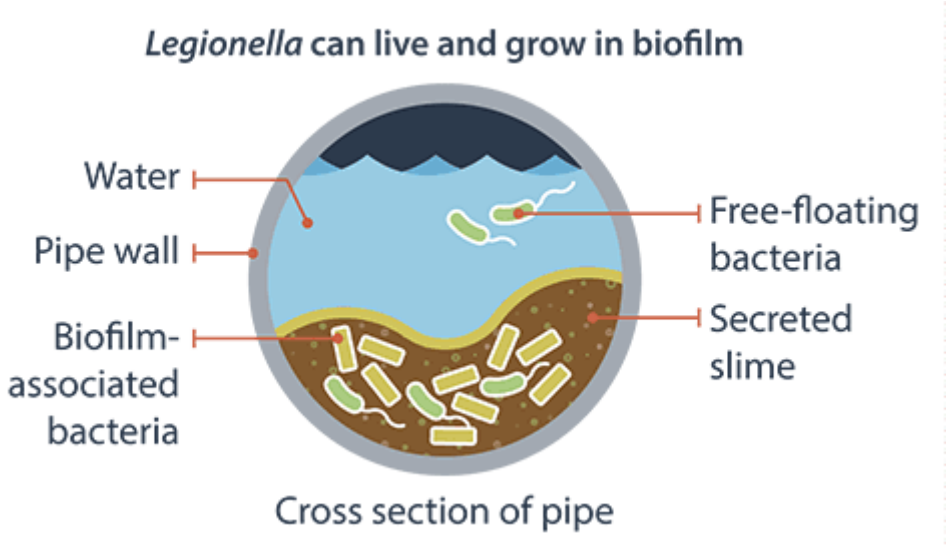
What You Need To Know

The Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors recently warned landlords, property owners and employers about the potential increased risk of Legionella as a result of the lockdown measures against COVID-19. This is because, with many properties being closed for a significant period of time, water tanks and plumbing systems are going unused. When stagnant, water is prone to microbiological contamination and poses a significant risk to building occupants on their return, if not treated correctly.



Microbiological contamination includes algae and bacteria such as pseudomonas and Legionella – and these can cause serious health issues if they enter the human body. For example, if inhaled (usually from water droplets dispersed from outlets such as taps, showers, hot tubs and air-conditioning units), Legionella bacterium can cause Legionnaires' disease, a serious and potentially fatal type of pneumonia.

How Fernox Can Help?

In order to prevent this and protect occupants, building owners should contact their maintenance company or plumbing and heating contractor to address the issue and properly treat the water. This can be done easily using Sterox tablets or Fernox LP Sterox.

It is vital that action is taken to prevent microbiological contamination and ensure that, when building occupants return, they are not at risk of illness. With Sterox tablets and LP Sterox, this can be easily achieved.