

# 1 Fluoride

**We do not add Fluoride to the water as part of the treatment process.**

Naturally occurring fluoride in soils and rocks is picked up by our raw water supplies.

The maximum allowable level of fluoride, set by the Drinking Water Inspectorate (DWI), is 1.5 mg/l.

The natural fluoride level in tap water provided by SES Water is less than 0.25 mg/l (milligrams per litre, or parts per million). This figure is well below the DWI limit.

The primary duty of water companies is to provide a sufficient and wholesome supply of water. Any decision to artificially fluoridate the water supply would be purely on health grounds to reduce tooth decay.

Local Authorities are responsible for proposing any new fluoridation schemes. To date, there is no indication that any of the Local Authorities covering SES Water's area of supply are planning to request fluoridation of the water.

Please contact your Local Authority if you require any further information or advice on fluoridation.