

# IDEAL STANDARD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

## **DUAL CONTROL THERMOSTATIC SHOWER MIXERS**



A3000 IS Therm built-in thermostatic mixer



A3700 IS Outline built-in thermostatic mixer



E3115 Traditional built-in thermostatic mixer

#### **IMPORTANT**

BEFORE CONNECTION, FLUSH WATER THROUGH PIPEWORK TO REMOVE ALL DEBRIS ETC. WHICH COULD DAMAGE THE VALVE MECHANISM

INSTALLER: After installation please pass this instruction sheet to user

The fittings covered by these instructions should be installed in accordance with the Water Regulations published in 1999\*.

Ideal Standard strongly recommends that these fittings are installed by a professional fitter.

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Ideal Standard thermostatic shower mixers are designed to be installed on normal UK low pressure storage tank fed systems, unvented high pressure systems, modulating instantaneous water heaters or modulating combination (combi) boilers. They are suitable for all pumped applications.

#### WATER REGULATIONS

Hot and cold water supply pressures must be reasonably balanced and from a common source - both from storage or both from a supply pipe. (IRN 101). The mixers will function within specification on unequal pressures up to a ratio of 5:1, but it is not recommended that the cold supply be connected to the rising main and hot to the tank fed supply as the pressure differential is likely to exceed the 5:1 ratio. (See table 1) The minimum pressure for correct operation is 0.1 bar (1m head - see Figure 5). Pressure head is measured as the vertical distance between the bottom of the cold water storage tank which feeds the hot water system and the highest point on the shower spray plate. When installing with a shower pump the use of a secondary tapping from the cylinder is highly recommended.

Figure 1 shows the various methods of connecting the hot water pipe to the cylinder - the most preferred on the left and the least preferred on the right.

The fitting should be so installed as to be readily accessible for examination, repair, replacement or operation. (IRN 111).

The temperature of the hot water must not exceed 85°C but the installer's attention is drawn to code of practice BS 6700 which recommends that stored hot water should normally never exceed 65°C. For correct operation of the valve, a minimum of 55°C is required.

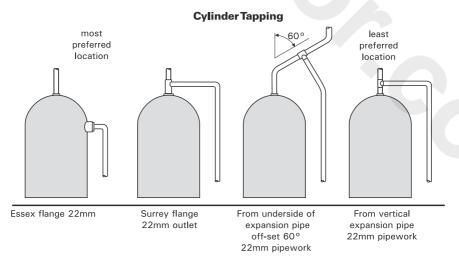


Figure 1 Preferred location of cylinder tapping

Table 1 Conditions for normal use

	BSEN1111	BSEN1287
Operating pressure range:	High Pressure	Low Pressure
Maximum static pressure - Bar	10	10
Flow pressure hot and cold - Bar	0.5 to 5.0	0.1 to 1.0
Hot supply temperature - °C	55 to 65	55 to 65
Cold supply temperature - °C	up to 25°C max	up to 25°C max
Temperature differential characteristic (TDC) °C	10	10

## WATER REGULATIONS

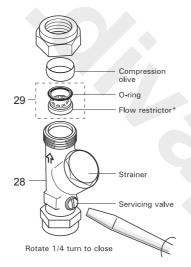


Figure 2 in-line filter and service valve showing restrictor

When installing on a modulating combination boiler it is sometimes possible for the interaction of a thermostatic valve with the combi to cause the boiler to cut out and cut in again with the result that the water will become alternatively cold and hot. To overcome this, flow restrictors should be fitted upstream of the thermostatic valve.

Flow restrictors (29) are available as an optional extra. These should be inserted in the downstream side of the servicing valve (28) as shown on Figure 2. It is essential that they are positioned the right way round as shown in the sketch. Remove the compression nut and olive from the outlet side of the Isolating valve and place the restrictor in the outlet. Push to the bottom of the recess. Fit O-ring in the visible rebate around the edge of the restrictor and push home until it is fully in the rebate. Use the tip of a small screwdriver or similar to achieve this. Servicing valves should be fitted as close as is practical to the shower valve.

### CATEGORIES OF RISK

The water regulations published in 1999\* take a new approach to backflow in that they look at different categories of risk. The installer must assess the risk from the various categories of fluid in adjacent appliances before determining the level of backflow protection required for a particular installation. Figures 3 & 4 describe the protection required in various installations.

#### CATEGORY 3 RISK

Water in a shower tray, basin or bathtub is considered to be a fluid category 3 risk which is a fluid which represents a slight health hazard if it were to find it's way back into the supply pipe. For this reason it must not be possible for any flexible shower head to be able to enter any adjacent washbasin, bath or shower tray unless appropriate protection is employed. (See Figure 3).

If it is desired to allow the hand spray to be used inside say a bathtub or a basin it is essential that double check valves be fitted to the inlet on both hot and cold supplies to the thermostatic valve.

Alternatively single check valves can be fitted at the inlets and an additional check valve should be fitted in the valve outlet

No check valves need be fitted if the hand spray is prevented from reaching closer than 25mm of the spill over level of any such fixture.

## **CATEGORY 5 RISK**

Water in a Sink, WC or Bidet is considered to be a fluid category 5 risk which is a fluid which represents a serious health hazard if it were to find it's way back into the supply pipe. For this reason it must not be possible for any flexible shower head to be able to enter any adjacent Sink, WC or Bidet. If the flexible hose to be fitted could reach into any such vessel, the requirements to the system design are so onerous it is better not to fit a flexible. Rather, a fixed overhead showerhead should be considered. (See Figure 4).

It will also be seen that this risk could change should the hose be taken out of the restraining device or should a longer replacement hose be fitted at a later date. Installers and householders are advised to take account of these factors when fitting replacement hoses.

For pumped applications the pipe supplying the pump must not in addition supply an ascending spray bidet.

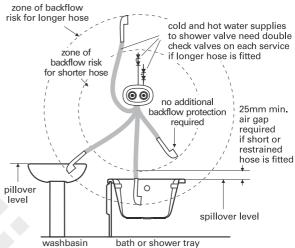


Figure 3 Illustration of backflow risk from fluid Category 3 risk

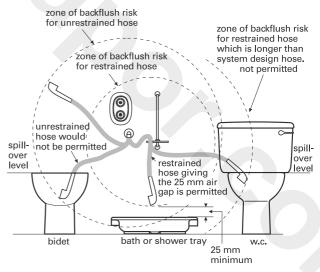


Figure 4 Illustration of backflow risk from fluid Category 5 risk

(for example, in the loft space), the high level pipes should be installed with a fall, and must be vented at the highest point automatic cold supply air vents minimum alternative 1 metre head 25mm min cold supply hot supply alternative to other hot supply appliances **Fullway** service Essex flange valve 25mm minimum drain valve isolating valves/strainers must be fitted as close as is practical to the shower valve

Note: When hot supply is routed above the ceiling,

Figure 5 Recommended system layout for gravity applications

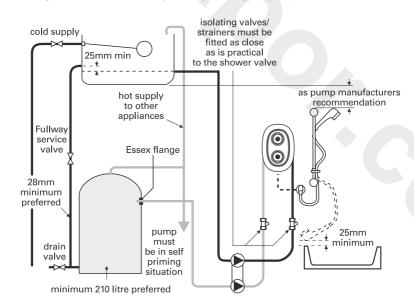
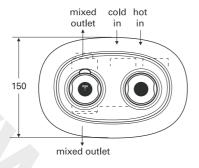


Figure 6 Recommended pumped system layout



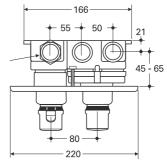


Figure 7 Dual control thermostatic shower valves - installation dimensions IS Therm illustrated

## **INSTALLATION GUIDE**

The thermostatic mixing valve should be installed in such a position that maintenance of the TMV and its valves and the commissioning and testing of the TMV can be undertaken.

Connections on the built-in mixer body are  $G^3$ 4 (female) and are marked "hot in", "cold in" and "mixed out" on the body casting. There are two mixed outlet ports, one of which must be plugged with the blanking plug supplied. For maximum flow performance the unplugged outlet should be connected to the wall elbow or the fixed overhead shower using 22mm copper. The  $G^3$ 4 / 22mm connectors must be jointed to the valve body using jointing compounds or PTFE tape. Under no circumstances should soldered joints be used near the valve body as this will damage the fitting. It is recommended that isolation valves be fitted upstream of the valve body.

#### IS THERM A3000

The valve is supplied as per position 1 (Figure 8) with options for installation in positions 2, 3 & 4. Should positions 2, 3 or 4 be required then the temperature adjustment carrier will need to be repositioned so that the triangular raised mark at the rear is positioned at the top. The front handle carrier is rotated if necessary until the triangular indent is again at the top. The handle can then be pushed into position with the override button to the top.

#### IS OUTLINE THERMOSTAT A3700

This valve is supplied as per position 3. Since the wall plate is designed to be mounted vertically, position 4 is the only alternative orientation advised.

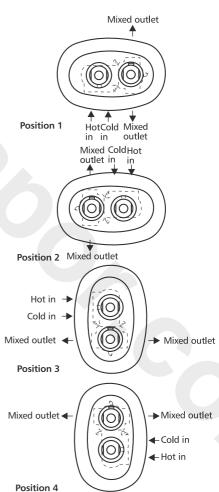


Figure 8

#### **TRADITIONAL BUILT-IN E3115**

Traditional is supplied as per position 3 (Figure 8) and should only be installed in this orientation. Connections are the same as for IS Therm and IS Outline.

## **Build-in guide**

- 1. All the fittings covered by this instruction are designed to be recessed into the wall. The depth of the recess should be measured from the finished wall surface to the rear of the valve body. There is an adjustment of 20mm in the installation depth. Recess depth is in the range 66mm minimum to 86mm maximum. These minimum and maximum depths are marked on the plaster guard (26).
- 2. Chase out wall for mixer body and pipe work.
- 3. Remove plaster guard (26).
- 4. Fit blanking plug to appropriate port of the valve body and connect pipe work. (Do not solder near the valve body)
- 5. Replace plaster guard and check that the valve is horizontal (or vertical if positions 3 or 4 have been selected). The two bosses on the front of the plaster guard allow a spirit level to be placed on or against it. Check also that the valve is parallel to the wall surface.
- 6. Make good the wall by plastering around the valve up to the plaster guard.
- 7. Once the plaster has set the wall can be tiled and the plaster quard removed.
- 8. The temperature control handle can now be positioned so that the button is to the top (IS Therm and IS Outline Thermostat). If the valve is not being fitted in the position as supplied then the temperature adjustment carrier will have to be repositioned as described on Page 8 under thermostatic cartridge replacement.
- 9. The pipe work and valve body must now be flushed out. Failure to do so will cause the thermostatic cartridge filters to become blocked resulting in reduced or erratic performance. The procedure for this is described on Page 8 under replacement of cartridges.
- 10. Fit the back cover plate and secure using the fixing screws (3). (These may need to be cut if valve is installed close to the minimum depth). Push front cover plate into position and fit operating handles.

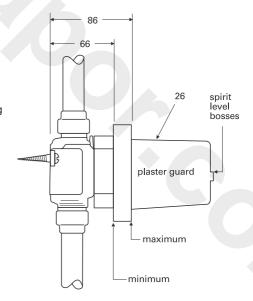
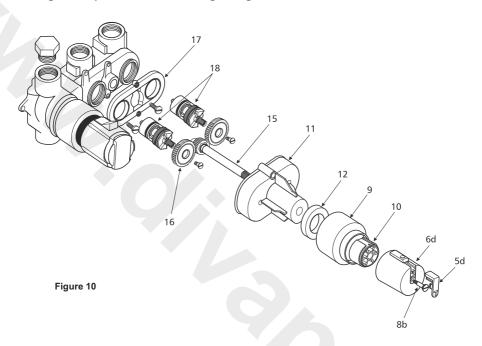


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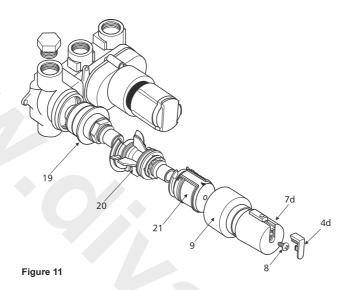
## Cartridge replacement

Flushing and replacement of cartridges & gear clutch wheels



- 1. Remove handles. (see Pages 12/13 for details)
- 2. Remove the front cover plate (1) by prising forward using the small slots at the sides of the front cover plate. (see Fig.19)
- 3. Remove the two cover plate screws and pull off the back cover plate (2).
- 4. Remove the volume control handle (6) and carrier (10) by unscrewing screw (8b) and pulling off.
- 5. Pull off shroud (9)
- 6. Remove the two gear box cover fixing screws and pull off the gear box cover (11).
- 7. Pull out the drive shaft (15)
- 8. Loosen the two cartridge cone screws and remove the gear/clutch wheels (16) by pulling forward.
- 9. Lift off the rear gear box cover (17)
- 10. Isolate the shower valve from the supplies and unscrew the two cartridges (18) anticlockwise
- 11. Fit the flushing adapter (25) in place of the cartridges in turn and flush the pipework.
- 12. Assemble the valve in reverse order.
- 13. If fitting replacement cartridges and/or clutches they should be fitted at this stage.
- 14. Both cartridges must be in the closed position before fitting the gear clutches (16) in position.

## Thermostatic cartridge replacement



- 1. If the volume control handle is in the off position it should not be necessary to isolate the valve from the supply for this operation.
- 2. Remove handles (7). (see pages 12/13 for details).
- 3. Remove the front cover plate (1) by prising forward using the small slots at the sides of the front cover plate.
- 4. Remove the two cover plate screws (3) and pull off the back cover plate (2).
- 5. Remove shroud by pulling froward (9).
- 6. Remove the temperature adjustment carrier (21) by rotating the black locking latch and pulling forward.
- 7. Remove the rear temperature handle extension (20) by rotating the black locking latch and pulling forward.
- 8. The thermostatic cartridge (19) can now be removed by turning anticlockwise.
- 9. It is usually unnecessary to fit a new thermostatic cartridge. Most problems occur because debris from the pipe work has blocked the cartridge filter screens.
- 10. The cylindrical filter screens can be removed for cleaning by removing the o-rings from the cartridge and sliding the screens off. Do not attempt to refit the cartridge with the filter screens missing. Any small particles of grit in the water supply will cause the mechanism to jam. (Place all components which have grease on them on a clean piece of paper to avoid picking up grit).
- 11. Grease the cartridge o-rings with silicone grease when they have been refitted.
- 12. If a replacement cartridge is being fitted, fit it at this stage.
- 13. The valve is assembled in reverse order.

The rear temperature handle extension (20) can be fitted on to the thermostatic cartridge (19) in any position.

The temperature adjustment carrier (21) will need to be refitted with the triangular raised mark on the rear of the carrier in the top position. Providing this assembly has not been separated, (i.e. the red clip removed) the unit will remain calibrated and no adjustments will be required. Ensure that the front handle carrier is rotated fully anticlockwise before refitting otherwise difficulty will be experienced in fitting the temperature adjustment carrier to the rear temperature extension. The temperature handle is then refitted with the override button again in the top position.

#### CALIBRATION

Ideal Standard thermostats are factory calibrated and require no further calibartion during installation. However, if the temperature adjustment carrier is accidentally disturbed and the calibration altered it is a simple procedure to recalibrate the unit. Before starting this you will need to ensure the hot supply temperature is above 55°C.

- 1. Remove the temperature control handle.
- Remove the red U-clip (b) from the temperature adjustment carrier. Remove the front carrier (e).
- 3. Ensure the raised triangular mark (a) on the rear handle carrier is to the top.
- Rotate the temperature adjusting spindle (d) until a temperature of 41°C is measured at the outlet.
- 5. Replace the front handle carrier ensuring the triangular indent (c) is to the top.
- 6. Refit the red U-clip.
- 7. Refit the temperature handle.

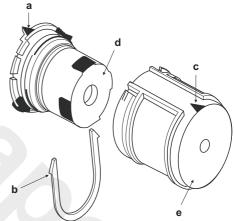


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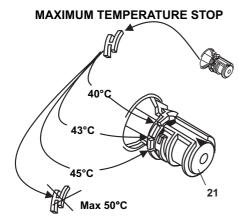


Figure 12b Adjusting the temperature limit stop

The maximum mixed water temperature is factory set at 40°C.

To change this temperature remove the temperature control handle. Remove the temperature limit stop (black H-shaped plastic part located in the temperature handle carrier) and reinsert it in the appropriate recess on the handle carrier.

Four different settings are possible, 40°C, 43°C, 45°C & 50 °C (See Figure 12b)

Refit temperature handle.

When installing in care homes it must not be possible to deliver water hotter than 41°C so the limit stop must remain at the 40°C setting.

The thermostatic cartridge seldom fails and the possibility of blocked filters should be investigated before contemplating replacing it.

Although the IS Therm is supplied with strainers in the separate servicing valves, small particles of debris may find their way past this and onto the filter screens in the thermostatic cartridge. These should be cleaned and refitted. See page 8 on cartridge replacement.

## **COMMISSIONING & PERIODIC CHECKS**

The following procedures should be carried out after installation and every 12 months after to ensure that the valve is functioning correctly.

#### Check that:

- 1. The application of the thermostatic valve matches the approved designation.
- 2. The supply pressures are within the recommended range for the application.
- 3. The supply temperatures are within the permitted range for the application and comply with the guidance for prevention of Legionella.
- 4. The mixed temperature is as required for the application.

#### Record:

- 5. Each hot and cold supply. (Make a note of the measuring device used).
- 6. The mixed water temperature at the outlet device.

#### Isolate:

7. The cold supply to the mixing valve and record the mixed water temperature after about 5 seconds. The temperature should not exceed the value given in table (2) below.

Table 2 A guide to maximum temperature sets

Application	Mixed water temperature	Permitted maximum temperature rise during site testing
Shower	41 °C	43 °C

**Note:** 46°C is the maximum mixed water temperature from a bath tap. The maximum temperature takes account of the allowable temperature tolerances inherent thermostatic mixing valves and temperature loss in metal baths. It is not a safe bathing temperature for adults and children.

The British Burns Association recommends 37°C-37.5°C as a comfortable bathing temperature for Children. In premises covered by the Care Standards Act 2000, the max mixed water temperature is 43°C

## FREQUENCY OF REGULAR SERVICING

The purpose of servicing regularly is to monitor the performance of changes in system and valve set up. This may require the need to adjust either the supply system or the valve. The A3000, A3700 or E3115 should be checked and tested 12 months after commissioning.

Firstly measure the water temperature at the shower outlet.

Carry out the cold water supply isolation test by isolating the cold water supply to the TMV, wait for 5 seconds if water is still flowing check that the temperature is below 46C. If there is no significant change to the set outlet temperature (+/-2°C or less change from the original settings) and the fail-safe shut off is functioning, then the valve is working correctly and no further service work is required.

A residual flow is permitted during the commissioning or the annual verification (cold water supply isolation test), then this is acceptable providing the water temperature is no more than 2°C above the designated outlet temperature.

Temperature readings should be taken at the normal flow rate after allowing for the system to stabilize. The sensing part of the thermometer probe must be fully submerged in the water that is to be tested. Any TMV that has been adjusted or serviced must be re-commissioned and retested in accordance with the instructions detailed above.

## Traditional

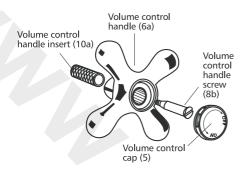


Figure 13 Fitting Traditional volume control handle

The volume and temperature control handles are not pre-fitted but are supplied packed with the valve. The Traditional valve should be fitted only in position 3 as shown as in Figure 8.

- 1. Push the volume control handle insert (10a) into the volume control handle (6a) and push this assembly on the drive shaft (15).
- 2 Secure with the screw (8b) and finally push the cap (5) into place.

## For correct operation the temperature handle must be fitted as follows.

1 The temperature adjustment carrier is fitted as below.

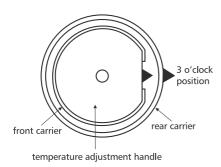


Figure 14 Figure 16

- 2. To fit the temperature handle (7a), push it onto the temperature adjustment carrier (21) with the lever at the 4 o'clock position. The wide key on the inside of the lever should engage with the key way on the temperature adjustment carrier (21).
- 3. Secure the lever with the screw (8)

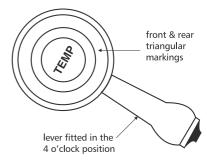
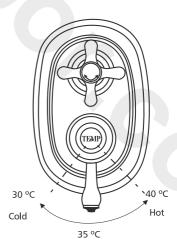


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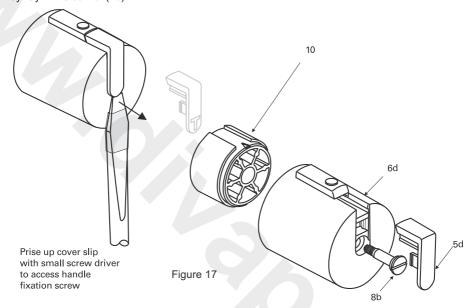
- 4. When the lever is moved to the 6 o'clock position the water temperature should be approximately 35°C.
- 5. To increase the temperature, move the handle anticlockwise. See Figure 16



IS Therm and IS Outline To remove the Outline handles, the cover slip (4d or 5d) should be prised up by inserting a small screw driver in the recess as shown. Care should be taken not to scratch the handle while doing this and it is advisable to wrap a piece of masking tape or similar around the screw driver as shown.

Unscrew screw (8b) and slide the handle off. The handle carrier can then be removed.

To replace the handle slide onto handle carrier (10) ensuring the key inside the handle engages with the keyway in the carrier (10).



The IS Therm and the IS Outline Thermostat (but not the Traditional) are fitted with a temperature over-ride button.

Normally this is pre-set to limit the temperature to 40°C. However, higher temperatures may be obtained by pressing the button and rotating the temperature handle further.

The IS Therm button slides outwards and the IS Outline Thermostat button pivots inwards as shown.

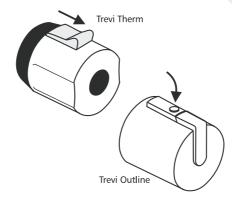


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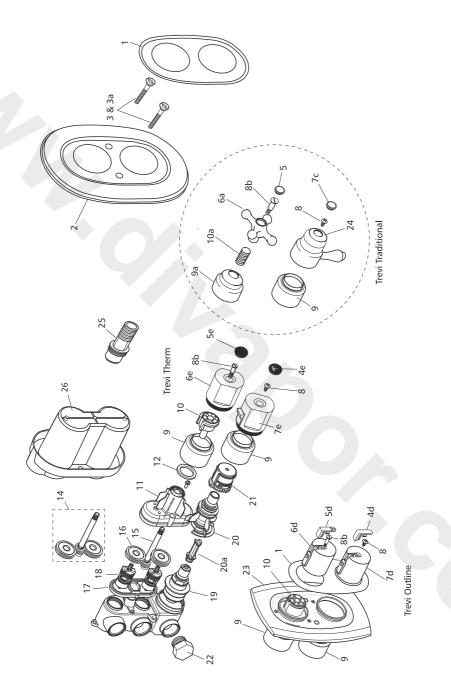


Figure 19

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- 1 Front cover plate
- 2 Wall plate for IS Therm & Traditional
- 2a Cover plate sealing rings
- 3 Cover plate fixing screws 50 mm
- 3a Cover plate fixing screws 60 mm
- 4d Outline temperature handle cover slip
- 4e IS Therm Temperature handle cap
- 5 Traditional volume control handle cap
- 5d Outline volume handle cover slip
- 5e IS Therm volume handle cap
- 6 Traditional volume handle
- 6d Outline volume handle
- 6e IS Therm volume handle
- 7c Traditional temperature handle index
- 7d Outline temperature handle
- 7e IS Therm Temperature handle
- 8 Self tapping handle screw
- 8b Long volume handle screw
- 9 Standard Shroud
- 9a Traditional Volume control handle shroud
- 10 Volume control handle carrier
- 10a Traditional volume control handle insert
- 11 Gear box cover
- 12 Gear box sealing washer
- 13 Gear box cover fixing screws
- 14 Gear/clutch wheels complete
- 15 Gear/ wheel drive shaft
- 16 Gear/clutch wheels
- 17 Gear box back plate
- 18 1/2" cartridge
- 19 Thermostatic control cartridge
- 20 Temperature handle extension
- 21 Temperature adjustment carrier complete
- 22 Blanking plug
- 23 Outline wall plate
- 24 Traditional temperature handle
- 25 Flushing adapter outlet
- 26 Mounting template/plaster guide
- 27 Mounting template/plaster guide screws
- 28 Isolating Valves (pair)
- 29 Flow Restrictor

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