Technical Guidance

Pipe insulation in airing cupboards

Question
Is pipe insulation required to hot pipework in airing cupboards?

Considerations
- Heat from airing cupboard pipework does not usefully contribute to the space heating requirement during periods when the space heating is turned off.

Answer
All pipes connected to hot water storage vessels, including the vent pipe, should be insulated for at least 1m from their points of connection to the cylinder or up to the point where they become concealed.