

TOWN OF MANSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

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MANSFIELD BOARD OF HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUBSURFACE DISPOSAL OF SANITARY SEWAGE

ARTICLE 1. AUTHORITY

Under authority granted by Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 111, Section 31 and 310 CMR 15.00 Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface disposal of Sanitary Sewage: State Environmental Code: Title 5, the Board of Health hereby adopts the following regulations.

ARTICLE 2. CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

No Certificate of Compliance shall be issued without compliance with 310 CMR 15.02:8 and submission of an "as-built" plan to the approving authority.

The plan shall include the following data:

- *Date submitted
- *Scale of 1 inch equals forty feet (1'' = 40')
- *The zone should be noted
- *North arrow should be noted
- *Plan view of the lot showing the front line of the lot and all other dimensions of the lot
- *Right-of-way along front line
- *Owner, lot and house number, lot area, abutters, including lot numbers and names
- *Ties to septic tank, distribution box and two corners of leaching field or pit
- *Cross-section back of house and system with flow inverts
- *Top of foundation elevation and finish grade at house foundation and above leaching field
- *Elevation of rim of access port.
- *The as-built plan must be station certified by a Massachusetts Registered Professional Engineer or Registered Professional Land Surveyor: "I certify that all work has been completed in accordance with the terms of the permit, the approved plan, State Environmental Code 310 CMR 15.00 and the Mansfield Board of Health regulations and that any changes to the design plans have been reflected on this as-built plan."

ARTICLE 3. FEE

A fee for the issuance of a Disposal Works Construction Permit shall be charged at the time of application.

ARTICLE 4. APPLICATION OF A DISPOSAL WORKS INSTALLERS PERMIT

Anyone wishing to install, alter, modify or expand a subsurface sewage disposal system must apply annually for a permit to do such work. The application is to include:

- *Applicant's name, address, telephone number
- *Company name, address, and telephone number
- *Renewal or
- *New, must have
 - three (3) construction references or
 - three (3) current permit copies or
 - any combination of references and permits
- *The statement "I have read Title 5 of State Environmental Code and the Mansfield Board of Health regulation, "Minimum Requirement for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary Sewage. I understand deviation from them may be cause for revocation of this permit."
- *Applicant's signature and date

ARTICLE 5. RE-INSPECTION FEE

A disposal works installer requesting a disposal works construction inspection shall be subject to a re-inspection fee if improper construction according to permit, plan, 310 CMR 15.00 construction requirements and/or this regulation has occurred.

A disposal works installer may also be subject to a re-inspection fee if work is not ready for inspection at the time requested.

ARTICLE 7. SITING OF SYSTEMS

Section 1: Maximum Groundwater elevation

Maximum groundwater elevation may be determined by using a factor determined by observation of one or more of the groundwater monitor wells installed for such purposes.

ARTICLE 8. MINIMUM SETBACK DISTANCES

No soil absorption system shall be placed closer than seventy-five (75) feet to a surface water or bordering vegetated wetland.

ARTICLE 9. REPAIR OF COMPONENTS OF A SEPTIC SYSTEM

Section 1: Permits

No person shall engage in the repair or emergency repair (which is necessary to prevent imminent sewage backup into a building, surface breakout of sewage, or to alleviate an imminent danger to public health, safety or the environment) of any on-site septic system without first obtaining a Disposal System Installer's Permit from the approving authority. The permit shall be issued in conformance with 310 CMR 15.019 Disposal System Installer's Permit.

No person shall perform a repair or emergency repair of any on-site septic system without first obtaining a Disposal System Construction Permit from the approving authority. The permit shall be issued in conformance with 310 CMR 15.019 Disposal System Installer's Permit. All repairs and emergency repairs for which a Disposal System Construction Permit is issued shall be completed and the Certificate of Compliance shall be obtained within thirty (30) days of issue.

Section 2: Inspection

No repair or emergency repair shall be covered or backfilled unless it is inspected and directed to do so by the approving authority.

Section 3: Emergency Repair

In the event that the approving authority is unavailable (in that it is not possible to contact the approving authority during regularly scheduled work hours, or that the event occurs on an evening, weekend or holiday), any emergency repair must be reported and a Disposal System Construction Permit applied for within three (3) days of the work having been done.

ARTICLE 10. SHARED SEPTIC SYSTEMS

Section 1: Prohibition of Shared Septic Systems

The use of shared septic systems to serve new construction shall be prohibited. New construction is defined as: the construction of a new building for which an occupancy permit is required or an increase in the actual or design flow to any system or an increase in the actual or design flow to any nonconforming system or an increase in the design flow to any system above the existing approved capacity. New construction shall not include replacement or repair of a building in existence as of March 31, 1995 that has been totally or partially destroyed or demolished, provided there is no increase in design flow, no increase in design flow above the existing approved capacity to any system, no increase in the number of dwellings or dwelling units or no increase in the number of bedrooms in any dwelling or dwelling unit.

Section 2: Exception for Existing Septic Systems

The Board of Health may allow the use of shared systems when it is not feasible to upgrade an existing septic system. When the use of a shared septic system is allowed, 310 CMR 15.290 Shared Systems shall apply.

ARTICLE 10. FEES

Any section of this regulation requiring a fee for a permit, license, test or re-inspection shall be paid in full at the time of application and before any service is performed.

ARTICLE 11. VARIANCE

The Board of Health may vary the application of any provision of this regulation, with respect to any particular case where, in its opinion, the enforcement thereof would do manifest injustice, provided, that the decision of the Board of Health shall not conflict with the spirit of these standards. Any variance shall, while it is in effect, be available to the public at all reasonable hours in the office of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 12. SEVERABILITY

Each section of this regulation shall be construed as separate to the end that if any section or sentence, clause, or phase thereof shall be held invalid for any reason, the remainder of that section and all other sections shall continue in full force.

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