

The following information concerns an onsite sewage disposal system application approval. If you have any questions, please call the Snohomish Health District (Health District) at 425.339.5250.

This approval is limited to a Health District determination as to compliance with Health District and Washington State regulations applicable to onsite systems. The Health District makes no representations/determinations as to full compliance with other land use/disturbance regulations including, but not limited to, the Indian Graves and Records Act (Chapter 27.44 RCW), the Archeological Resources Protection Act (Chapter 27.53 RCW), or the necessity for compliance with any other regulatory entity's regulations relative thereto.

- An application approval is **not a permit** for installation of the onsite sewage disposal system.
- As a precaution, the soil in the designated drainfield and reserve areas should remain undisturbed.
- Application approvals are contingent upon placement of the proposed structure as shown on the approved onsite sewage disposal system plot plan and design (attached). Contact your designer if changes or revisions are contemplated. All revisions are subject to review and approval by the Health District, and payment of fee when applicable.
- **Upon expiration** an approved application may be renewed for an additional two year period. This requires designer or engineer submittal of a renewal application and payment of fee, and review and approval by the Health District. (Renewal must be received within 30 days from the date of expiration). Applications that are renewed *and* revised are subject to both fees. **Expired application approvals** require designer or engineer submittal of a new application and payment of fee.
- Prior to issuance of your building permit and onsite sewage disposal permit, your proposed source of drinking water may be subject to Health District requirements and the requirements of RCW 19.27.097 regarding demonstration of an adequate and potable water supply (see attached GMA Memo for details).
- Prior to permit issuance a pre-construction conference between designer/engineer, certified installer and the Health District will be held at which time agreement will be made concerning:
 1. Adherence to construction plan details.
 2. Supervision by designer/engineer on site.
 3. Installation during dry weather and soil conditions.
 4. With the exception of the dispersal component, entire system is to be constructed and installed in such a manner as to be water tight.
 5. Pressure testing of the distribution system with all holes up and unobstructed (when applicable).
 6. Adherence to design; allowing changes to be made only with prior written submittal to, and approval by, the Health District.

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- A Health District sewage disposal installation permit:
 - a. Will not be issued before the city/county building permit is issued;
 - b. Will remain valid concurrent with the city/county building permit;
 - c. Will not be issued before the applicable Health District installation permit is paid. This permit fee is required for all systems except repairs and alterations.
 - d. Will not be issued until a conformed copy of the recorded operation and maintenance Declaration of Covenant (Copy Enclosed) is submitted to the Snohomish Health District. This covenant is required for all systems except gravity and pressure distribution.

If the building permit is withdrawn, revoked, or expires, the installation permit will no longer be valid.

- Onsite sewage disposal systems shall be installed by installers certified by the Health District. A current list of certified installers is available at www.snohd.org (under Septic select Septic Contactors).
- A request for the inspection of an onsite sewage disposal system installation must be made to the system designer or engineer, who will, upon their inspection and approval of the installation, request final inspection and approval from the Health District. The timely inspection of the system installation and preparation of the as-built drawing is the obligation of the system designer.
- The designer/engineer agrees to provide operation and maintenance information including an “as-built” construction detail to the owner and to the Health District.
- For all systems which have imported sand as a component of system installation, the designer/engineer is responsible for verifying sand fill quality at the job site.
- A copy of the Health District's appeal process will be furnished upon request.

Questions regarding this report should be directed to the reviewing Environmental Health Specialist at 425.339.5250.