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# Introduction - Background

- Maine is a rural state and relies on decentralized systems for drinking water and disposal of human waste
- DHHS and it's predecessors have regulated onsite sewage disposal since 1926.
- Improper design or installation of a septic system can cost the homeowner tens of thousands of dollars and create disease and unsanitary conditions.



# STATE STATUTE TITLE 30-A

## SS 4211, #3

### SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM:

No person may <u>ERECT A STRUCTURE</u> that requires a subsurface wastewater disposal system until documentation has been provided to the municipal officers that the disposal system can be constructed in compliance with rules adopted under Title 22, Section 42 (MAINE SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL RULES) and this section.

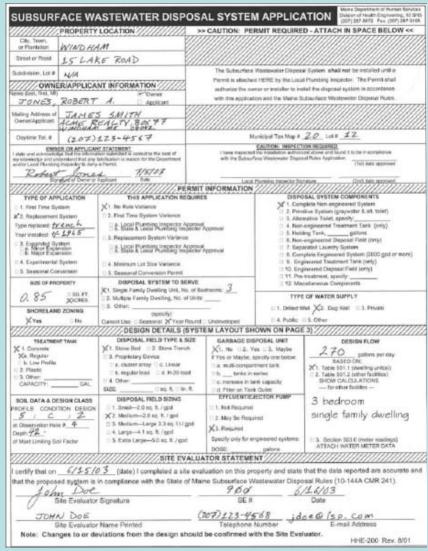
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#### Page One

Page one of the HHE-200 Form must be signed by both the owner/applicant and the Site Evaluator.

It is important to check that each block on the form is properly completed. If any information is lacking, the LPI should not issue the permit.



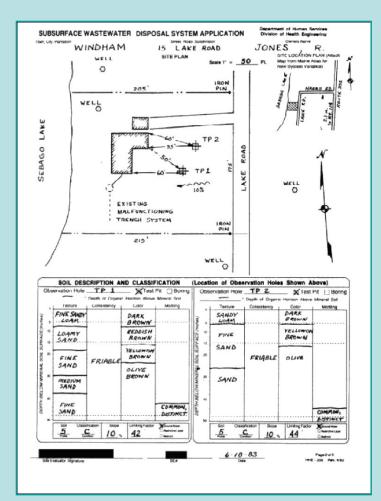
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#### Page Two

Page 2 consists of a general site plan and soil test pit logs.

The LPI should check the soil profile and condition shown in the test pit logs against the profile and condition used for design purposes on Page 1.

The LPI should also check that at least one test pit is located in the disposal area.

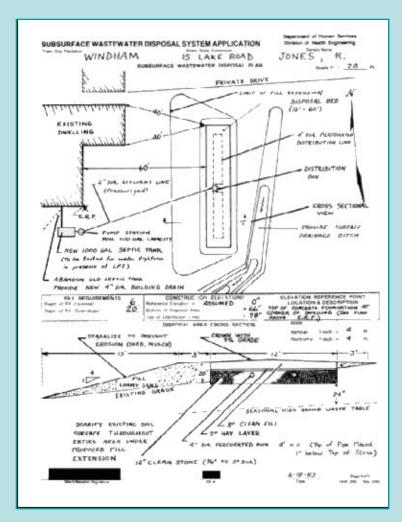


#### **Page Three**

Page 3 consists of a detailed construction plan which indicates the location of the treatment tank, disposal field, limits of fill, extension, setbacks, property lines, test pit locations, and elevation reference point location.

This plan must include horizontal swing ties, system layout, and construction elevations.

Page three also contains a representative cross section of the disposal area.





#### **Site Evaluation Process**

The physical characteristics of a parcel of land must be fully evaluated in order to design a safe and effective disposal system. Each site has its own unique characteristics and limitations which must be observed and considered in the design.

Observations of the surrounding land and development are just as important as viewing the particular parcel of land under consideration.



### **Site Evaluation Process**

Sometimes the applicant has a preference to where the system is to be placed if the soil conditions are accommodating. First considerations should be given to the desired locations if at all possible.

This site's potential locations for a replacement disposal area are limited by adjacent development and a small lot size.



#### Site Evaluation Process

Existing ground slope beneath the disposal field shall not exceed 20 percent (20 feet in 100 feet). The disposal field is defined as the area under the stone bed or proprietary devices only.



Setback Requirements Table 7B – Less than 1000 gpd

Waterbody setbacks

Major water body – 100 ft.

Minor water body - 50 ft.

Drainage ditch – 25 ft.

Toe of fill to wetlands - 25 ft.



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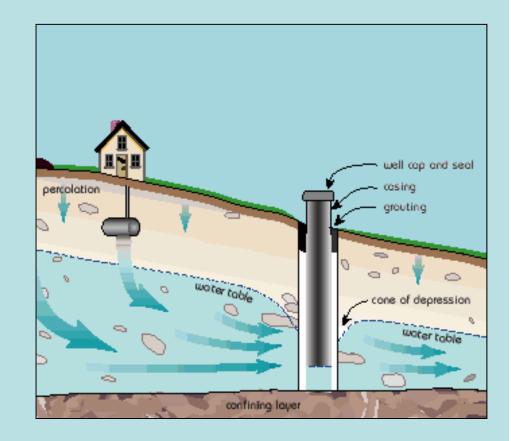
Well setbacks (without variances)

Owner's well – 100 ft.

Abutter's well – 100 ft.

Public supply well – 300 ft.

Water line (not main) – 10 ft.



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## Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules

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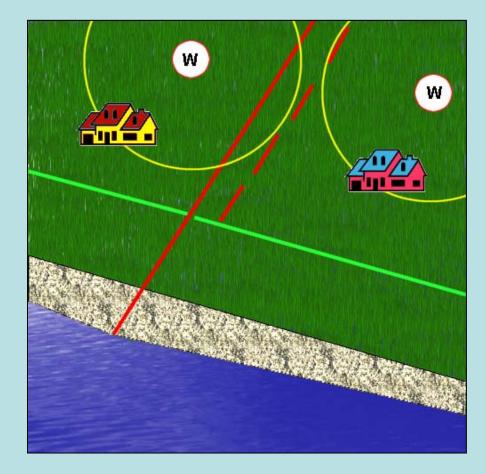
Property lines – 10 ft.

Slopes > 3:1 – 10 ft.

Slab, etc. foundation – 15 ft.

Full foundations/frost walls – 20 ft.

Burial grounds – 25 ft. from toe of fill



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Property lines – 10 ft.

Slopes > 3:1 – 10 ft.

Slab, etc. foundation – 15 ft.

Full foundations – 20 ft.

Burial grounds – 25 ft. from toe of fill



### **Site Evaluation Process**

Disposal of liquids into the soil from a disposal area is through soil pores, between soil aggregates and through root channels. Soil texture, soil structure, moisture content, and root penetration also affect the liquid movement through the soil.



## Setbacks for Septic Tanks

- Full Basement 8 feet
- Slab 8 feet
- Both can be reduced to 5 feet for Replacement Systems
- Private Wells 50 feet
- Public Wells 150 feet
- Can be reduced to 25 feet for Private Wells, no reduction for Public Wells

### **Site Evaluation Process**

Site evaluation combines on-site soil evaluation with consideration of site conditions.

Licensed Site Evaluators are required to have the skill and ability to properly identify and accurately report soil textures and limiting factors so they can adequately classify soils, recognize site limitations and properly size disposal systems.



Limiting Factors

Redoximorphic Features (Drainage Mottles)

**Restrictive Horizon** 

Bedrock

# MINIMUM SOIL CONDITIONS OUTSIDE THE SHORELAND ZONE

 Table 4F - First Time Systems requires 9 inches to most limiting factor.

# MINIMUM SOIL CONDITIONS INSIDE THE SHORELAND ZONE

 Table 4F - First Time Systems requires 15 inches to most limiting factor.

## TABLE 4E KEY TO DRAINAGE CLASSES

#### TABLE 4E SOIL CONDITION

Soil condition determined by measurement from the mineral soil surface to bedrock, seasonal high groundwater

table, or hydraulically restrictive layer condition when redoximorphic features are not present.

Limiting Factor Depth, in inches	Bedrock Limiting Factor Condition	Soil Drainage Limiting Factor or Restrictive Layer Condition
> 48		В
15 to 48	AIII	С
9 to <15	AII	D
<9	AI	Е

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#### TABLE 4F MINIMUM PERMITTING CONDITIONS AND MINIMUM DESIGN REQUIREMENTS NOTE: "NOT ALLOWED" INDICATES A DISPOSAL FIELD IS NOT ALLOWED.

	First Time & Expanded Systems Outside of the Shoreland Area: Separation in Inches							
Soil Profile Ú	Soil ConditionØ	AI	AII	AIII	В	С	D	E
1, 2, 3, 4	4, 7, 8, 9	Variance Required: Expansion Not Allowed for 1 <sup>st</sup> Time[d]	24	24	12	12	18	Variance Required: Expansions; Not Allowed for 1 <sup>st</sup> Time [d]
5	,6	Variance Required: Expansion s; Not Allowed for 1 <sup>st</sup> Time [d]	24	24	24	24	24	Variance Required: Expansions; Not Allowed for 1 <sup>st</sup> Time [d]
	.0	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allo wed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed
	11, 12     Use Tables 4D and 4E to determine the soil profile and description which best describes the observed conditions.							

	First Time & Expan	ded Syste	ms Withi	in the Shor	eland Area: S	Separation	in Inc	hes
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11, 12	Use	Fables 4D an	nd 4E to dete	ermine the soil	profile and descri	ption which b	est descri	ibes the observed conditions.
	Repla	cement Sy	ystems: S	Separation	Distances in I	Inches	_	
Soil Condition	AI	AII	AII	П	В	С	D	Е
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5,6	24 [a]	24 [b]	24		24	24	18 [b]	24 [a]
10	24 [a]	24 [a]	24 [	a]	24 [a]	24 [a]	24 [a]	24 [a]

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### **OWNER - APPLICANT**

SUBSURF	ACE WASTEWATER DISP	OSAL SYSTEM APPLICATION Division of Health Engineering, 10 (207) 287-5672 Fax: (207) 287-	
•	PROPERTY LOCATION	>> CAUTION: PERMIT REQUIRED - ATTACH IN SPACE BELOW <-	
City, Town, or Plantation	* * *		
Street or Road	* * *		
Subdivision, Lot #	* * *	The Subsurface Wastewater Disposal System shall not be installed until a Permit is attached HERE by the Local Plumbing Inspector. The Permit shall	
OWNE	R/APPLICANT INFORMATION	authorize the owner or installer to install the disposal system in accordance	
Name (last, first, MI)	Owner     Applicant	with this application and the Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules.	
Mailing Address of	* * *		
Owner/Applicant	* * *		
Daytime Tel. #	(207) * * * _****	Municipal Tax Map # Lot #	
I state and acknowledg	R OR APPLICANT STATEMENT the information submitted is correct to the best of derstand that any faisification is reason for the Department hspector to deny a Period. ++/++/07	CAUTION: INSPECTION REQUIRED I have inspected the installation authorized above and found it to be in compliance with the Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules Application. (1st) date approved	
Signa	ature of Owner or Applicant Date	Local Plumbing Inspector Slanature (2nd) date approved	

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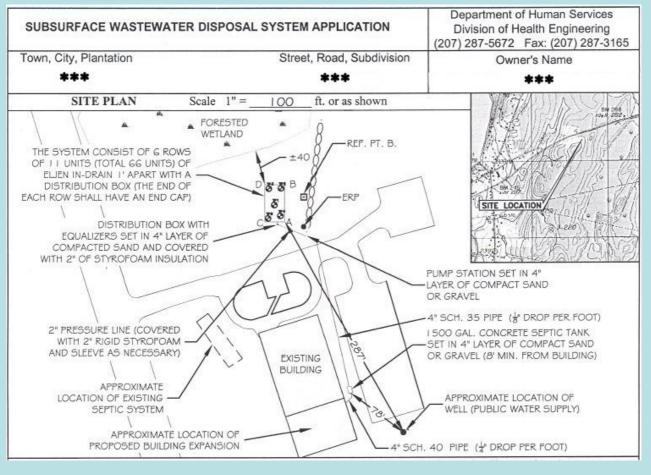
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TYPE OF APPLICATION	THIS APPLICATION REQUIRES	DISPOSAL SYSTEM COMPONENTS			
1. First Time System	1. No Rule Variance	<ul> <li>1. Complete Non-engineered System</li> <li>2. Primitive System (graywater &amp; alt. toilet)</li> <li>3. Alternative Toilet, specify:</li> <li>4. Non-engineered Treatment Tank (only)</li> </ul>			
2. Replacement System	2. First Time System Variance				
Type replaced:	a. Local Plumbing Inspector Approval				
Year installed:	<ul> <li>b. State &amp; Local Plumbing Inspector Approval</li> <li>3. Replacement System Variance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5. Holding Tank, gailons</li> <li>6. Non-engineered Disposal Field (only)</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>3. Expanded System</li> <li>a. Minor Expansion</li> <li>b. Major Expansion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. Local Plumbing Inspector Approval</li> <li>b. State &amp; Local Plumbing Inspector Approval</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reparated Laundry System</li> <li>8, Complete Engineered System (2000 gpd or more)</li> </ul>			
4. Experimental System	4. Minimum Lot Size Variance	<ul> <li>9. Engineered Treatment Tank (only)</li> <li>10. Engineered Disposal Field (only)</li> <li>11. Pre-treatment, specify:</li></ul>			
5. Seasonal Conversion	5. Seasonal Conversion Permit				
SIZE OF PROPERTY	DISPOSAL SYSTEM TO SERVE				
± 4.5 SQ. FT.	1. Single Family Dwelling Unit, No. of Bedrooms:     2. Multiple Family Dwelling, No. of Units:     3. Other: commercial business	TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY			
SHORELAND ZONING	(specify)				
🗆 Yes 🔳 No	Current Use Seasonal Year Round Undeveloped	4. Public 5. Other			

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TREATMENT TANK  1. Concrete a. Regular b. Low Profile 2. Plastic 3. Other: CAPACITY: 1,500 GAL.	DISPOSAL FIELD TYPE & SIZE          1. Stone Bed       2. Stone Trench         3. Proprietary Device         a. cluster array       c. Linear         b. regular load       d. H-20 load         type:       Eljen In-drain	GARBAGE DISPOSAL UNIT 1. No 2. Yes 3. Maybe If Yes or Maybe, specify one below: a. multi-compartment tank btanks in series c. increase in tank capacity	DESIGN FLOW 750 gal lons per day BASED ON: 1. Table 501.1 (dwelling unit(s)) 2. Table 501.2 (other facilities) SHOW CALCULATIONS for other facilities
SOIL DATA & DESIGN CLASS	SIZE: <u>66 units</u> sq. ft. iin. ft.	d. Filter on Tank Outlet     EFFLUENT/EJECTOR PUMP     1. Not Required	50 employees @ 15 gpd each
PROFILE CONDITION DESIGN <u>8</u> / C / 1 at Observation Hole # Depth <u>6</u> of Most Limiting Soil Factor	DISPOSAL FIELD SIZING 1. Small2.0 sq. ft. / gpd 2. Medium2.6 sq. ft. / gpd 3. MediumLarge 3.3 sq. ft. / gpd 4. Large4.1 sq. ft. / gpd 5. Extra Large5.0 sq. ft. / gpd	2. May Be Required     3. Required     Specify only for engineered systems:     DOSE: gallo ns	ATTACH WATER METER DATA LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE at center of disposal area Lat. <u>044</u> d <u>24</u> m <u>01.8</u> s Lon. <u>069</u> d <u>33</u> m <u>25.2</u> s if g.p.s, state margin of error:

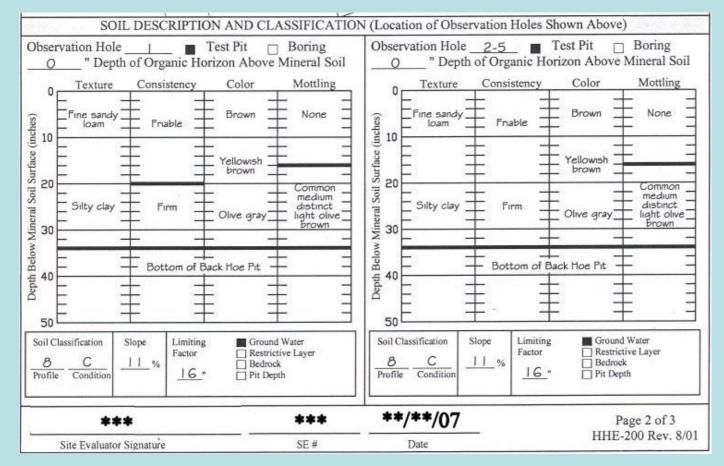
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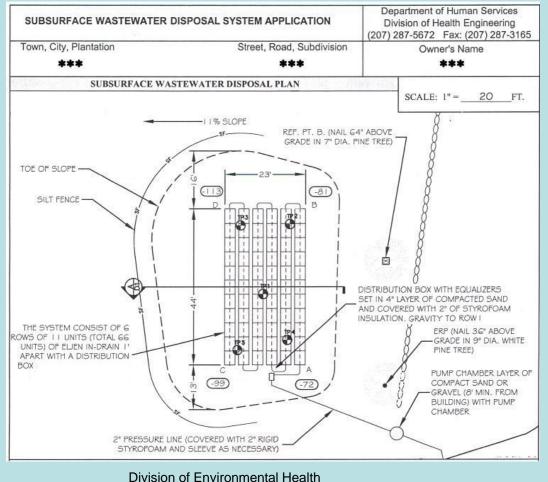
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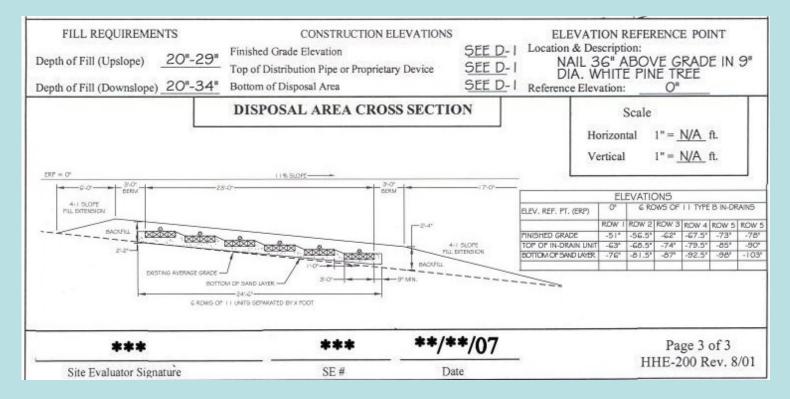
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#### **Site Evaluation Process**

However, if limited soils are available or there are setback conflicts, the Site Evaluator may have to prepare a variance request, for as best a fit as possible when considering existing development.

This property abuts the site in the prior slide. Note the location of a non-potable dug well, and the drilled well casing under the oil tank.





#### SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM VARIANCE REQUEST

This form must accompany an application (HHE-200) for a proposed subsurface wastewater disposal system which requires a variance to provisions of the Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules. The local plumbing inspector <u>must</u> not issue a permit for the installation of a subsurface wastewater disposal system requiring a variance from the Department of Health & Human Services until approval has been received from them.

GENERAL INFORMATION	Town/City of	
Property Owner's Name:	Tel. No.:	
System's Location:		
Property Owner's Address:		
(if different from above)	ZIP Code	_
Property Owner's Telephone Number:	E-mail Address:	

The onsite sewage disposal system design for the subject property requires a 
replacement system variance
first time system variance to the Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules. This variance requires 
requires 
requires local approval
local and state approval.

SPECIFIC VARIANCE REQUESTED (To be filled in by Site Evaluator. Use Additional Sheets, if needed.)	SECTION OF RULE
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#### SITE EVALUATOR

When a property is found to be unsuitable for subsurface wastewater disposal by a Licensed Site Evaluator, the Evaluator shall so inform the property owner. If the property owner, after exploring all other alternatives, wishes to request a Variance to the Rules, and the Evaluator in his/her professional opinion feels the variance request is justified and the site limitations can be overcome, he/she shall document the soil and site conditions on the Application. The Evaluator shall list the specific site limitations are to be overcome, and provide any other support documentation as required prior to consideration by the Department. Attach a separate page if necessary.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, S.E., certify that a variance to the Rules is necessary since a system cannot be installed which will completely satisfy all the Rule requirements, and no practical alternative is available. Specifically:

SIGNATURE OF SITE EVALUATOR

DATE

#### PROPERTY OWNER

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, am the \_\_\_\_\_, am the \_\_\_\_\_\_ agent for the owner of the subject property. I understand that the installation on the Application is not in total compliance with the Rules. Should the proposed system malfunction, I release all concerned provided they have performed their duties in a reasonable and proper manner, and I will promptly notify the Local Plumbing Inspector and make any corrections required by the Rules. By signing the variance request form, I acknowledge permission for representatives of the Department to enter onto the property to perform such duties as may be necessary to evaluate the variance request.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER

DATE

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### SITE EVALUATION PROCESS

System Variance Request – HHE-204

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#### LOCAL PLUMBING INSPECTOR - Approval at local level

The local plumbing inspector shall review all First Time System Variance requests prior to rendering a decision.

, the undersigned, have visited the above property and find that the variance request submitted by the applicant does not conform with certain provisions of the wastewater disposal rules. The variance request submitted by the applicant is the best alternative for a subsurface wastewater disposal system on this property. The proposed system ( 🗌 does 🗌 does not) conflict with any provisions controlling subsurface wastewater disposal in the shoreland zone. Therefore, I ( 🗌 do 🗌 do not) approve the requested variance. I ( 🗍 will 🗌 will not) issue a permit for the system's installation as proposed by the application.

#### LPI Signature

#### LOCAL PLUMBING INSPECTOR - Referral to the Department of Health and Human Services

The local plumbing inspector shall review all First Time System Variance requests prior to forwarding to the Division of Environmental Health. , the undersigned, have visited the above property and find that the variance request submitted by the applicant does not conform with certain provisions of the wastewater disposal rules. The variance request submitted by the applicant is the best alternative for a subsurface wastewater disposal system on this property. The proposed system ( 
does 
does not) conflict with any provisions controlling subsurface wastewater disposal in the shoreland zone or local ordinances controlling such disposal. Therefore, I ( do do do not) recommend the issuance of a permit for the system's installation as proposed by the application.

LPI Signature

#### FOR USE BY THE DEPARTMENT ONLY

The Department has reviewed the variance(s) and ( 🗌 does 🗆 does not) give its approval. Any additional requirements, recommendations, or reasons for the Variance denial, are given in the attached letter.

SIGNATURE OF THE DEPARTMENT

DATE

Date

Date

Note: 1. Variances for soil conditions may be approved at the local level as long as the total point assessment is at least the minimum allowed. (See Section 701.2 for Municipal Review.)

2. Variances for other than soil conditions or soil conditions beyond the limit of the LPI's authority are to be submitted to the Department for review. (See Section 701.1 for Department Review.) The LPI's signature is required on these variance requests prior to submission to the Department.

#### SOIL, SITE AND ENGINEERING FACTORS FOR FIRST TIME SYSTEM VARIANCE ASSESSMENT WITH LIMITING SOIL DRAINIANGE CONDITIONS (SEE TABLES 700.3 to 700.13)

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Soil Profile		
Depth to Groundwater/Restrictive Layer		
Terrain		
Size of Property		
Waterbody Setback		
Water Supply		
Type of Development		
Disposal Area Adjustment		
Vertical Separation Adjustment		
Additional Treatment		
	TOTAL POINT ASSESSMEN	T:

Minimum Points (Check one): Outside Shoreland-50 
Inside Shoreland-65 
Subdivision-65

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### SITE **EVALUATION** PROCESS

#### **Replacement System** Variance Request – HHE-204

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# THIS IS NOT A CORRECT RETAINING WALL FOR FILL EXTENSIONS...





Maine Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Health, Division of Health Engineering Wastewater and Plumbing Control Program



Section 3A.1 PERMIT REQUIRED WORK MUST NOT BE STARTED UNTIL THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR HAS ISSUED A DISPOSAL SYSTEM PERMIT FOR THE WORK

# Section 3C.2a LATE PERMIT FEE: A person who starts construction without first obtaining a permit must pay double

the permit fee.

Section 3B.6 TIME LIMIT- WORK MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN 24 MONTHS OF PERMIT ISSUANCE.

Section 3B.7 DEPARTURES FROM DESIGN-MUST BE APPROVED BY THE SITE EVALUATOR

SHALL BE NOTIFIED 24 HOURS BEFORE THE SYSTEM IS READY FOR INSPECTION

### **Application**

It is important to check that each block on the form is properly completed.

Page one of the HHE-200 Form must be signed by both the owner/applicant and the Site Evaluator before a permit can be issued.

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0 b. Low Profile		D a. cluster array D c. Linear	a multi-compa		BASED ON: X1. Table 501.1 (dwelling unit(s))	
2. Plastic     3. Other:		🗇 b. regular load 🛛 d. H-20 los	ad D btanks in	series	2. Table 501.2 (other facilities)	
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### **Permit labels**

Permit labels will only be issued to the Local Plumbing Inspector appointed to the area. Permit labels should be ordered when the LPI's quantity reaches ten. This gives the Department time to process the order. If an LPI has more than one area, make sure the correct area is printed on the label in which the permit label is being issued.

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### **Permit labels**

The label on the far left is the permanent record for the permit number, permittee's name, date of issue and inspection, fee charged, and installer's name. Eventually, after final inspection, this will be forwarded to the Department.

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#### **Permit labels**

The center label is to be placed on the owner's copy of the HHE-200 Form. It serves as formal notice to any interested party that a legitimate permit has been issued to install an onsite sewage disposal system.

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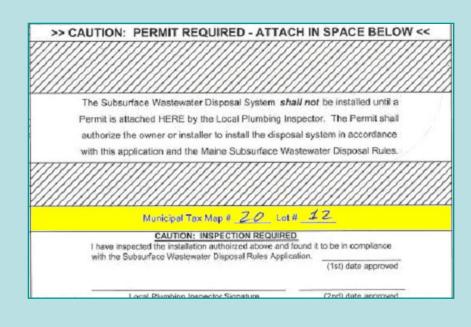
The two smaller labels on the far right are to be placed on the Town and State copy of the HHE-200 Form, respectively. These copies serve as permanent records of the design, but not of any subsequent inspections.

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### **Record Keeping**

HHE-200 Forms and Plumbing Applications should be kept on file by the Town.

Filing by map and lot number is the most popular method simply because everything that has to deal with that certain property is all contained in one folder.



Replacement Septic Tanks No soil test needed

The LPI can prepare an application for a replacement septic tank by completing Page 1 of an HHE-200 Form.



### **Vault Privies**

Vault privies are permitted as "Alternative Toilet".

Sealed vaults shall have a minimum liquid capacity of at least 500 gallons.

The LPI can prepare an application for a vault privy by completing Page 1 of an HHE-200 Form.



### **Holding Tanks**

Holding tanks require an HHE-200 Form from the SE PROVING NO PRACTICAL ALTERNATIVE and a completed holding tank pumper agreement (HHE-233) with an owner and municipality statement and deed covenant.





### HOLDING TANKS

EXPANSIONS

HOLDING TANKS – Section 7D

Holding tanks <u>can not</u> be used to satisfy the requirements of:

- FIRST TIME HOLDING TANKS WITHOUT A LOCAL ORDINANCE FOR RESIDENTIAL USE
- First time system located within the shoreland zoned area of major water courses
- Seasonal Conversion Permits
- The facility served must not require a license as an eating establishment from the Department.

# HOLDING TANKS – Section 7D

- VISUAL / AUDIBLE ALARM
- MIN. 1000 GAL. or 7 Times the Design Flow
- Permitted as holding tank after July 1,1974, Discontinuance must meet first time criteria
- Nonresidential design flow must not exceed 100 GPD or 500 gallons per week greater flows has to be referred to Dept.

### **EXPANSIONS – Section 9**

**DEFINITION:** THE ENLARGEMENT OR CHANGE IN USE OF A <u>STRUCTURE</u> USING AN EXISTING SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM THAT BRINGS THE TOTAL STUCTURE INTO A CLASSIFICATION THAT REQUIRES LARGER SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM COMPONENTS

## **EXPANSIONS:** Section 9A.3

- The initial expansion of a single family home after May 1, 1995 by one or more bedrooms or the introduction of mechanically pressurized water formerly served by hand pumped or hand carried water.
- Other structures- increase in design flow of 10% or more.

# Expansions <u>Outside</u> the shoreland zone

Owner may elect not to install at the time of expansion provided the existing system is not malfunctioning.

•Provide a completed HHE-200 form

•Recorded with the registry of deeds, (does not need to be permitted)

•Person seeking to expand must notify abutters by certified mail with a copy of the notice of documentation. (HHE-200)

Protection of future installation

### Expansions inside the shoreland zone

# 9A.4a: MUST BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO THE EXPANSION

**9C:** Expansion design criteria inside the shoreland zone: Expanded disposal systems of one bedroom or less than 25 percent of the total design flow must meet replacement system design criteria as set forth in Section 8.

Expanded disposal systems of two bedrooms or more, or equal to or greater than 25 percent of the total design flow must meet first time system design criteria as set forth in Section 7.

# SYSTEM TYPES

### Engineered Systems Section 10

Scope: This Chapter governs the design and installation of engineered systems with design flows of 2,000 gpd or more, or disposing of wastewater with a combined BOD5 and total suspended solids concentration greater than 1,400 mg/l.

### Multi User System Chapter 10F

- **10F** Designed to serve three or more parcels with structures under individual and separate ownerships and when the disposal system is not owned by one individual.
- **10G** General: Ownership of all parts of the multiuser system beyond the building sewer must be vested in a single and independent, legally established entity under Maine law.

### Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules

SYSTEM TYPES

<u>Cesspools, Clay Agricultural Drainage Tiles and Vee-Notched Plank</u> <u>trenches</u> – still legal to operate as long as they are not Malfunctioning.

<u>Primitive systems</u> --consist of an alternate toilet such as a pit privy and a small graywater disposal area to accommodate a hand carried or hand pumped water supply

<u>Limited systems</u> alternative toilet, septic tank & disposal field which handles only gray water originating from elevated storage tanks, cisterns of no more than 1000 gallons

<u>A Combined System</u> -- typically comprised of a septic tank and a disposal area sized to accommodate a pressurized water supply with full plumbing fixture loads.

# Not a Primitive System



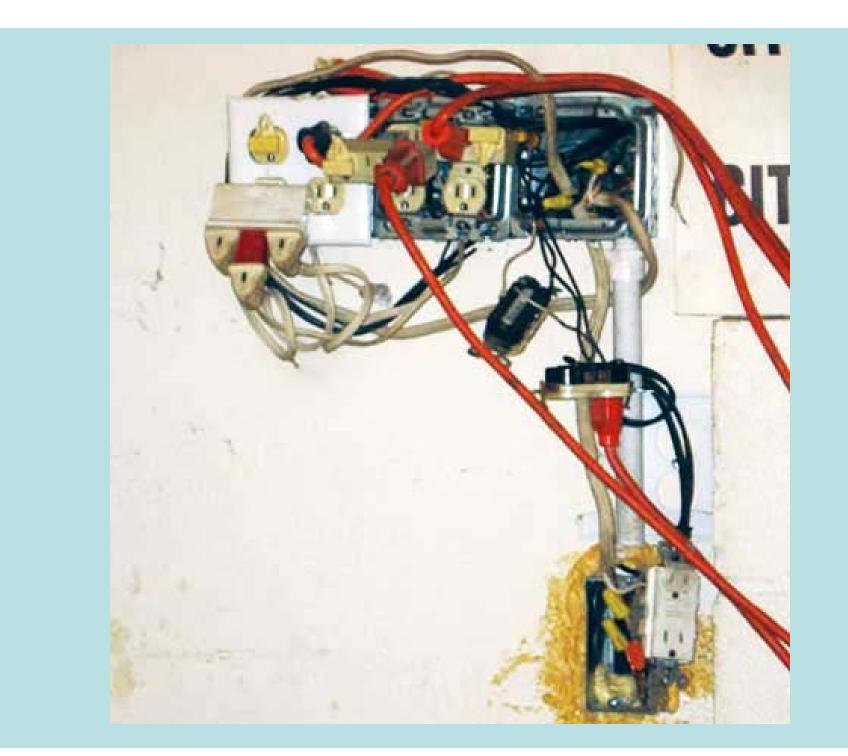
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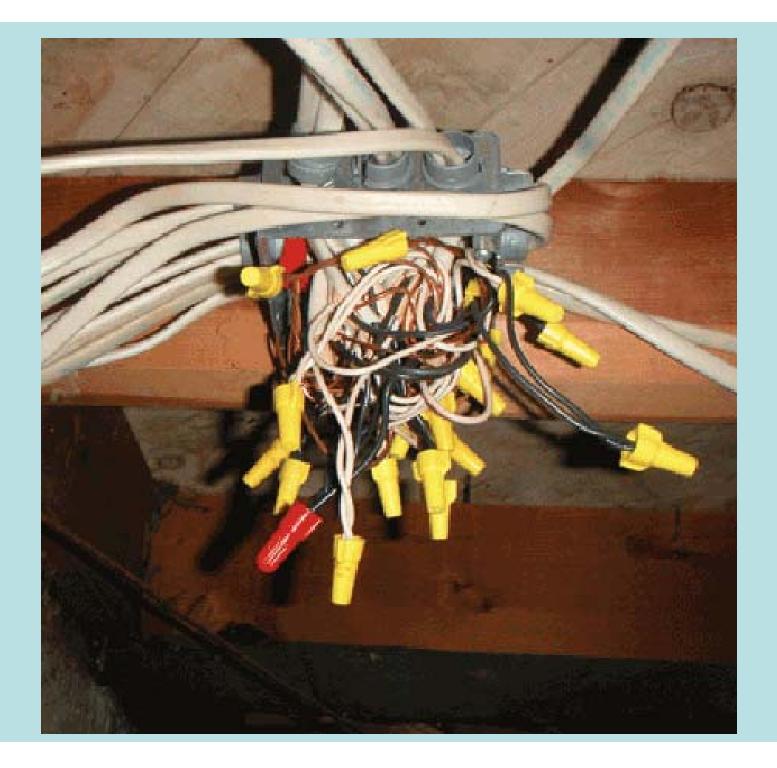




# Section 6S.10 **High-Water Alarm** The alarm and its switch must not be on the same electrical circuit as the pump and its switch.

Control panel breakers must be of less amp then main breaker box.







### Inspections



Maine Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Health, Division of Health Engineering Wastewater and Plumbing Control Program



#### Section 11D.1 CONSTRUCTION

THE INSTALLER OF THE SYSTEM SHALL MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE SYSTEM AND ALL ITS COMPONENT PARTS ARE INSTALLED IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS CODE, THE SE PLAN AND ANY OTHER SPECIAL ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS.

#### Section 11D.2 SOIL AND BACKFILL MATERIAL

**THE INSTALLER** OF THE SYSTEM SHALL MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION ARE PERFORMED WITHOUT AFFECTING THE CAPACITY OF THE SOIL AND BACKFILL MATERIAL TO ABSORB AND TREAT THE EFFLUENT. **Timing & Sequence** 

There are a minimum of two inspections required for subsurface wastewater disposal systems.

The first inspection shall be made after site preparation to confirm that:

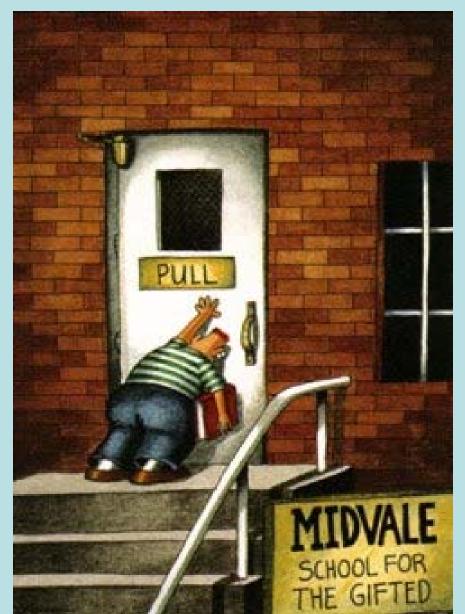
SOIL EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL

CLEARING OF THE SITE

SCARIFICATION

**TRANSITION HORIZON** 

#### Pay attention to obvious signs



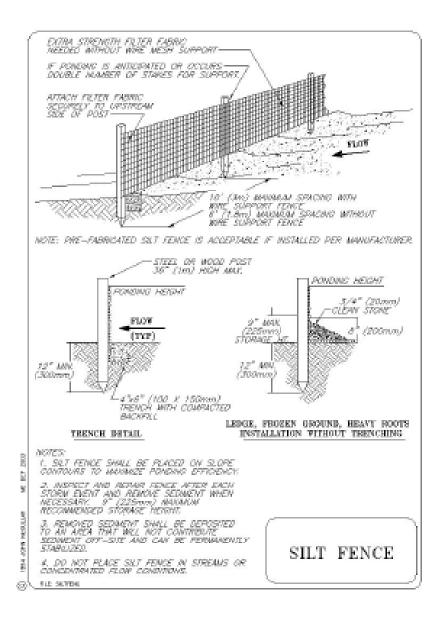
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#### **Site Preparation**

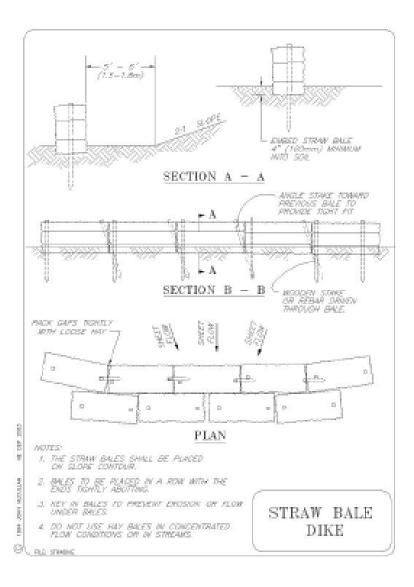
11B.1a Soil Erosion and Sediment Control

IN AREAS ADJACENT TO A WATER BODY OR WETLANDS, PREVENTATIVE EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES SHOULD BE EMPLOYED CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 11M.

- **11M** WORK ADJACENT TO SPECIAL WETLANDS AND WATER BODIES
- 11M.3 RUNOFF PREVENTION
- 1H Wetlands and Waterbodies
  - 1) SITES WITH SLOPES OF LESS THAN 33% REQUIRE A 25" UNDISTURBED SETBACK, MORE THAN 33% SLOPE WITHIN 25' REQUIRES A 75' SETBACK FROM ANY SOIL DISTURBANCE



EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL BMP - 3/2003



EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL BMP - 3/2003

#### Section 11B.1b - CLEARING THE SITE

 VEGETATION MUST BE CUT AND REMOVED FROM THE AREA WHERE BACKFILL IS PLACED

### DOES THIS INCLUDE THE FILL EXTENSIONS?

## SCARIFICATION Section 11B.3 - SCARIFY THE SITE

WHERE POSSIBLE, THE AREA UNDER THE DISPOSAL FIELD AND BACKFILL EXTENSIONS MUST BE PLOWED OR DISKED TO PRODUCE A THOROUGHLY ROUGHENED SURFACE. PLOWING MUST BE DONE PARALLEL TO THE TOPOGRAPHIC CONTOUR IN SUCH A DIRECTION THAT EACH PLOW FURROW WILL BE THROWN UPSLOPE. THE SOIL SHOULD BE BROKEN UP TO A DEPTH OF 6-8 INCHES. ALTERNATIVELY, A ROTO-TILLER OR THE TEETH OF A BACKHOE MAY BE USED.

#### Section 11B.3 TRANSITIONAL HORIZON

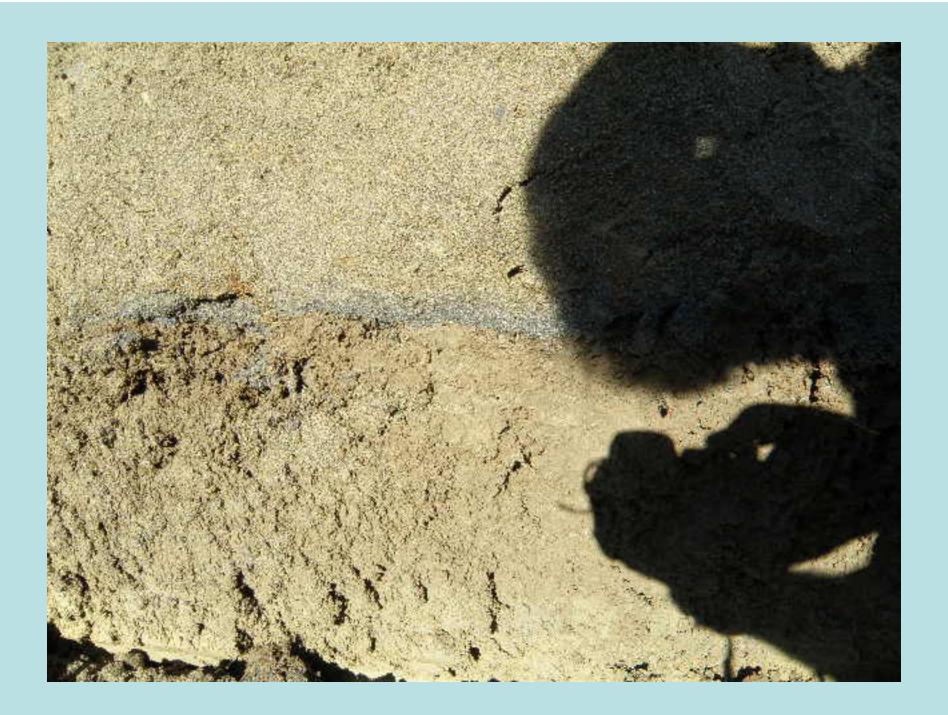
ON SITES WHERE THE BACKFILL MATERIAL IS COARSER THAN THE ORIGINAL SOIL, A MINIMUM OF 4 INCHES OF BACKFILL MATERIALS MUST BE MIXED (BY PLOWING, DISCING OR ROTO-TILLING) INTO THE ORIGINAL SOIL TO FORM A TRANSITIONAL HORIZON BENEATH THE DISPOSAL AREA FOOTPRINT AND ALL SIDE AND DOWNHILL FILL EXTENSIONS.

#### 11B.5 - FILL LARGE HOLES

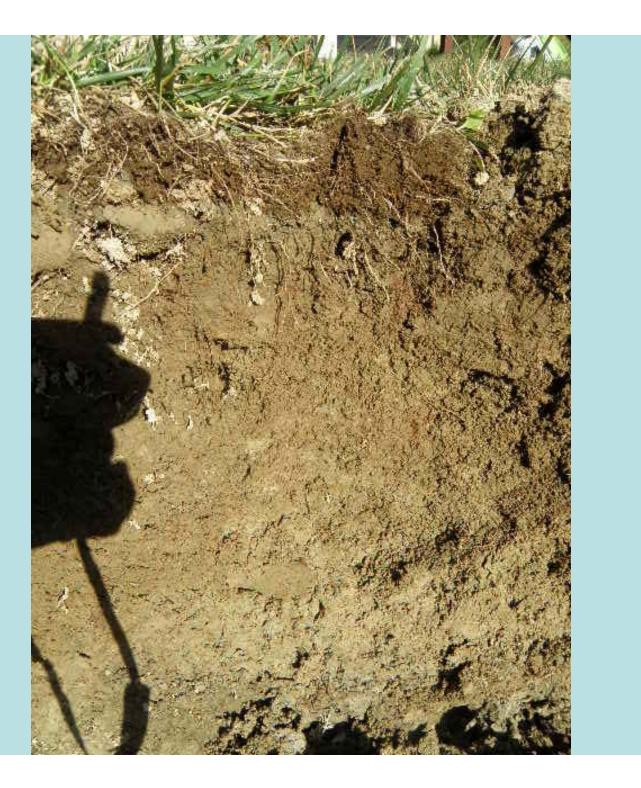
 LEFT AS A RESULT OF STUMP AND STONE REMOVAL, MUST BE FILLED WITH BACKFILL MATERIAL THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 804 BACKFILL
 4A.8 SURFACE WATER DIVERSION

SURFACE WATER MUST BE DIVERTED AWAY FROM THE DISPOSAL FIELD AND FILL EXTENSIONS

#### BAD TRANSITIONAL HORIZONS & SCARIFICATION











#### ANOTHER SITE















## BACKFILL

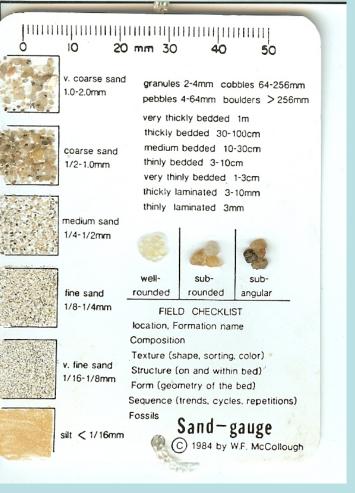
#### STANDARDS

#### 11E.2 Backfill standards: The backfill material must be gravelly coarse sand which meets the following requirements: Table 11A – Backfill Textural Gradation

Sieve Size	Percent Passing by Weight
3"	100
1.5"	95-100
0.75"	90-100
#4	75-100
#10	55-85
#20	30-65
#40	15-45
#60	10-25
#100	5-15
#200	2-8
Clay Fraction	0-2

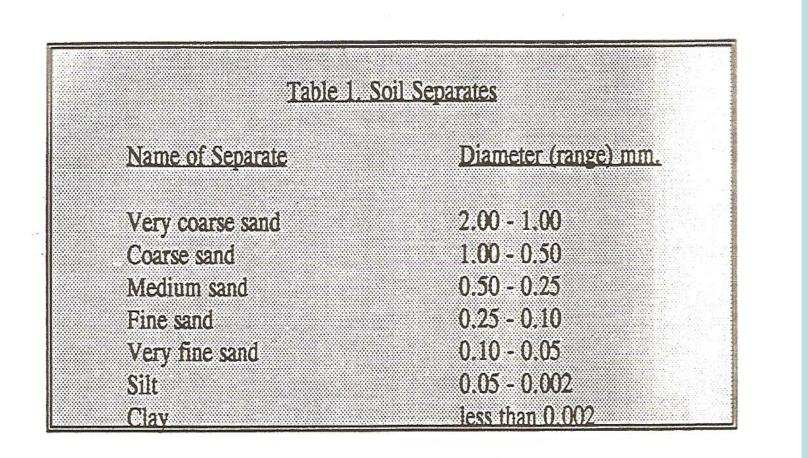
# Construction Related Rules How to Check Sand Spec:





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#### **Construction Related Rules**



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#### Gravel / Sand / Fines

- Gravels are between # 4 sieve and 3"
- Sands are between # 200 sieve and # 4 sieve
- Fines are smaller than # 200 sieve

#### • Particle Sizes

- Gradation or Mechanical Analyses
- Sieves for larger particles
- Hydrometer for fine particles





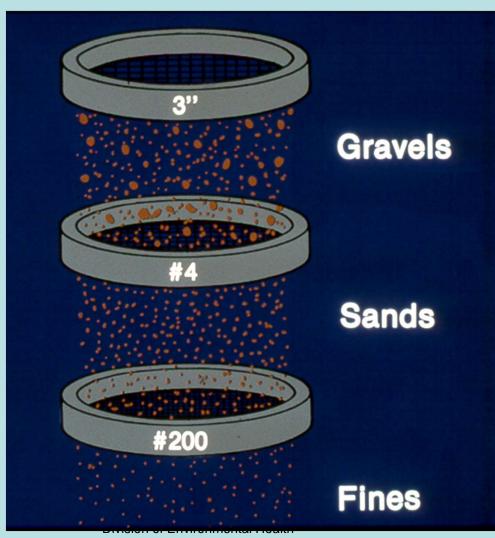
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#### **Sieve Analyses**



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#### **Sieve Analyses**



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#### **Sieve Designation - Large**

Sieves larger than the #4 sieve are designated by the size of the openings in the sieve

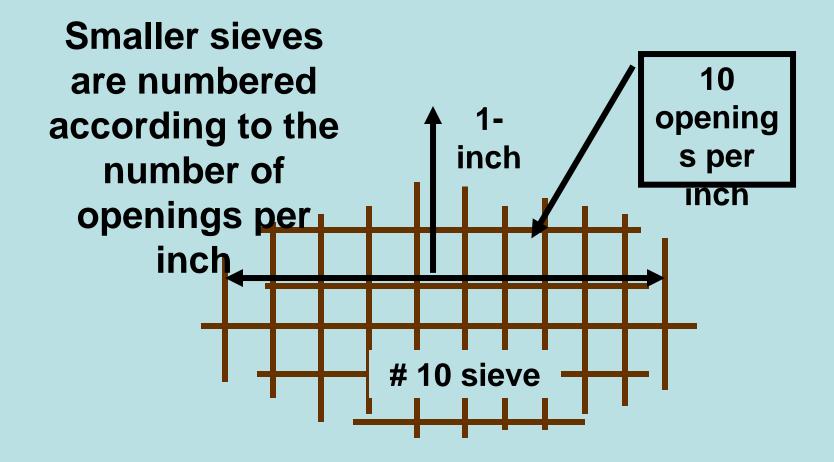


#### **Review Activity 2**

- Commonly used larger size sieves
  - 3 inch
  - -2 inch
  - 1-1/2 inch

- -1 inch
- 3/4 inch
- 1/2 inch
- 3/8 inch

#### **Sieve Designation - Smaller**



## **Construction Related Rules**



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#### **Report of Gradation**

ASTM C-117 & C-136

- Name	TOPPER PIT TESTING
Client	CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANTS
Material Type	IN DRAIN SAND
Material Source	1960

TUDDED DIT TEOTING

STANDARD

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DESIGNATION (mm/µm)	SIEVE SIZE	AMOUNT PASSING (%)	SPECIFICATIONS (%)	
150 mm	6"	100		
100 mm	4"	100		
75 mm	3"	100		
50 mm	2"	100		
38.1 mm	1-1/2"	100		
25.0 mm	1"	100		
19.0 mm	3/4"	· · 100		
12.5 mm	1/2"	100		
9.5 mm	3/8"	94	100	
4.75 mm	No. 4	89	95 - 100	
2.36 mm	No. 8	82	80 - 100	
1.18 mm	No. 16	71	50 - 85	
600 um	No. 30	51		
300 um	No. 50	26	25 - 60	
150 um	No. 100	10	5 - 30	
75 um	No. 200	3.9	0 - 10	

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## **Construction Related Rules**

#### Washed concrete sand meeting the ASTM C-33 specification.

Sieve Designatio	'n	Percentage by Weight Passing Square Mesh Sieves
Metric	English	
9.5 mm 4.75 mm 2.36 mm 1.18 mm 600 μm 300 μm 150 μm 75 μm	3/8 inch No. 4 No. 8 No. 16 No. 30 No. 50 No. 100 No. 200	100 95-100 80-100 50-85 25-60 10-30 <u>MEDIUM SAND</u> 2-10 0-5.0 maximum

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# WET SITES on 9 INCH SOILS and REPLACEMENT SYSTEMS

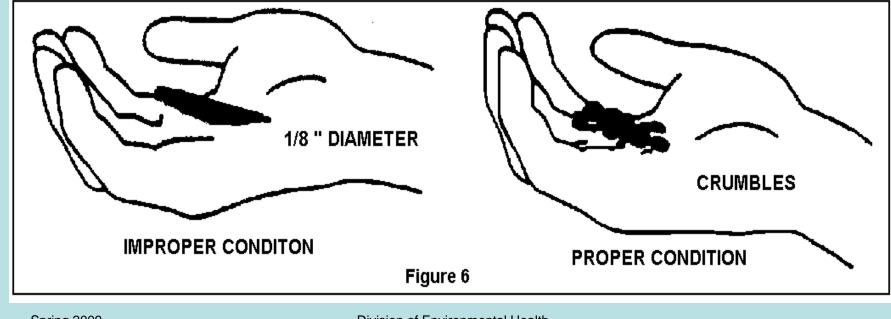
#### **PLASTIC LIMIT**

**11A.1 General:** On sites with fine soil textures, excavations that expose the bottom and sidewall area of the disposal field must not be carried out when the soil moisture content is above the plastic limit except when correcting a nuisance, there is no practical alternative, the plumbing inspector agrees and special construction techniques are used. The absolute plastic limit can be estimated by rolling the soil with the fingers. If the soil forms a wire or rod 1/8th of an inch in diameter and does not crumble when handled, the soil moisture content is too high to proceed with the excavation.

#### **PLASTIC LIMIT**

The soil must be dry and friable when site prep is started.

Smearing and compaction due to construction in a wet soil decrease the soil's ability to absorb wastewater. If a sample of the soil at the trench bottom depth forms a ribbon (e.g. 1/8-inch diameter) when rolled between the palms of the hands, the soil is too wet to excavate. If the soil crumbles into its natural structure, excavation may proceed. This pre-scarification examination is essential to help ensure proper operation of the system.



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#### Maine Department of Health & Human Services Maine Center for Disease Control & Prevention Division of Environmental Health – Subsurface Wastewater Unit

#### Voluntary Certification Program

#### Subsurface Wastewater Disposal System Installer

In association with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Nonpoint Source Training and Resource Center the Division of Environmental Health is pleased to offer a voluntary certification program for individuals who install subsurface wastewater disposal systems. The Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules, CMR 241, do not require certification as a condition of obtaining a permit for the purpose of installing a subsurface wastewater disposal system; however possession of this certification may allow the installer to sign an affidavit (HHE-238B) to cover the first system inspection noted in Stetion 111.5.1 of the Rules if the local plumbing inspector is in agreement.

Once issued the certification is good for five (5) years. The following criteria must be met for initial certification by the Department:

- Attendance at one (1) Basic System Installation Training Session conducted by the Subsurface Wastewater Program; and
- Submission of page one from two (2) HHE-200 Forms which were permitted and installed by the applicant and inspected and found in compliance with the Rules by the Local Plumbing Inspector. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THE 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> INSPECTIONS ARE DONE ON THESE HHE FORMS.

The certification will be automatically renewed after five (5) years if the certified individual submits proof of attendance at subsurface waster related training session(s) providing a minimum of 6 contact hours within the past certification period. Individuals attending JETCC sponsored sessions will be credited automatically. It is the responsibility of the certified individual to insure that proof of attendance is provided to the Division of Environmental Health.

Mail to:	Maine Department of Health & Human Services
	Division of Environmental Health
	Attn: Wendy Austin
	11 State House Station
	Augusta, Maine 04333-0011

Name:				
Company:				
Address:				
Municipality:		State:	Zip:	
Telephone:	Email:			
Training Session Attended:		Det	e	

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER PROGRAM

#### AFFIDAVIT OF SITE PREPARATION

This affidavit is to be completed by a certified system installer and submitted to the Local Plumbing Inspector to document compliance with Section 111.5.1 of the Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules, 144 CMR 241. Permission to utilize this document in lieu of a site preparation inspection by the Local Plumbing Inspector must be rerified when the permit is issued. This affidavit is not to be utilized in place of the system inspection described in Section 111.5.2 of the Rules.

INSTALLER NAME:	
	(Hase Him)
CERTIFICATION NUMBER:	
SSWD PERMIT NUMBER:	
PERMIT ISSUE DATE:	
PROPERTY OWNER NAME:	
PROPERTY ADDRESS:	
MUNICIPALITY:	

By signing and submitting this document to the Local Plumbing Inspector, I certify that all construction activities noted in Section 111.5.1 including removal of all vegetation from the disposal field area and fill extensions as specified in Section 801.3; roughening of the ground surface as specified in Section 801.4; establishment of a transitional horizon as specified in Section 801.5; and placement of erosion control devices as specified in Section 801.2 have been completed in fall compliance with the Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules, 144 CMR 241 for the referenced SSWD permit.

INSTALLER SIGNATURE:

DATE SUBMITTED:

By signing and accepting this document from the Certified Installer, I acknowledge that a site preparation inspection was not conducted for the referenced SSWD permit.

LPI SIGNATURE:

ACCEPTANCE DATE:

THIS FORM ONLY TO BE USED AFTER THE LPI'S APPROVAL

HHE-238-B (Revision 01/2008)



# EXCAVATION

# Section 11C.2 BOTTOM OF DISPOSAL FIELD

- THIS SERVES AS THE FINAL STAGE OF THE DISTRIBUTION NETWORK
- MUST BE INSTALLED AT THE ELEVATION SPECIFIED ON THE PERMIT.
- MUST MAINTAIN A LEVEL GRADE.
   (2" WITHIN 100')

### Section 11C.3 AVOID UNNECESSARY COMPACTION

- RUBBER TIRED VEHICLES SHOULD NOT BE DRIVEN OVER THE EXPOSED BOTTOM OF THE DISPOSAL FIELD
- SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT BY A BACKHOE OPERATING OUTSIDE THE PERIMETER OF THE DISPOSAL AREA

Which looks like.....



# And if not corrected could look like.....



Which would result in.....



11C.4 - REOPEN SMEARED OR COMPACTED BOTTOM OR SIDEWALL SURFACES

- THIS PORTION MUST BE SCARIFIED TO RE-OPEN SOIL PORES.
- ROTO-TILLING MAY BE NECESSARY TO REACH THE LIMIT OF COMPACTED SOIL DEPTH.

# Section 11C.5 - WEATHER CONDITIONS

• WORK SHOULD BE SCHEDULED SO THAT EXCAVATED AREAS ARE NOT EXPOSED TO RAINFALL OR WIND BLOWN SILT

• DEBRIS MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE BACKFILLING

• DISPOSAL FIELDS SHOULD NOT BE INSTALLED IN FROZEN GROUND OR WHEN THE AMBIENT AIR TEMP. IS BELOW FREEZING

## 111 - INSPECTIONS 111.1 REQUIRED:

IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CODE AND TO MAKE SUCH INSPECTIONS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THIS CODE

#### Inspections

The second inspection shall be made after installation of the system components, including stone, pipes or proprietary devices, tanks, hay, filter fabric, and fill beneath and beside of the disposal area but before backfill is placed above the disposal system components.



#### Inspections

No part of a system may be backfilled until it has been inspected and approved. If any part is covered before being inspected and approved, it shall be uncovered at the discretion of the plumbing inspector and at the expense and risk of the owner.

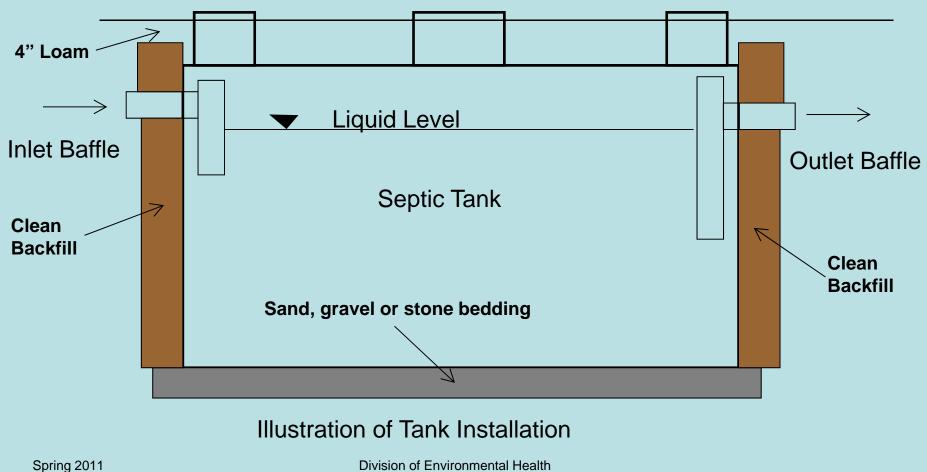
If inspection discloses defective material, design, siting, or poor construction that does not conform to the requirements of the Rules, the nonconforming parts shall be removed, replaced, and reinspected.

The LPI must sign the inspection block on the HHE-200 Form or Plumbing Application, just below the permit label area, which comprises a Certificate of Approval.

The LPI should simultaneously sign the permittee's copy and the Town's copy. This will provide the Town and the permitee with a permanent record that the inspection took place.

#### **Construction Related Rules**

#### Chapter 6 – Septic Tanks, Dosing Tanks & Grease Interceptors



## **Plastic Chambers**

- Chambers are used in the trench or cluster configuration. Permitted substitutions can be found on Page 60, Table 6H of the new rules.
- Just remember, you can substitute a High Capacity for a High Capacity of another manufacturer but not a High Capacity for a Standard, Quick 4 or Low Profile.

## **Concrete Chambers**

- Each 4' by 8' chamber in trench configuration with 8' sidewalls has an infiltration area of 90sqft
- Infiltration area of 77 sqft for 4' sidewall.
- The 8' by 8' chamber has an infiltration area of 128 sqft in cluster configuration and 154 sqft in trench configuration.
- Any approved manufacturer of concrete chambers can substitute for another as long as the size is the same.

#### **RISERS, RESIDENTIAL**

• IF BURIED, WATER TIGHT RISERS TO WITHIN 6" OF ORIGINAL GRADE ARE REQUIRED.

• RISER OPENING MUST BE 18" IN DIAMETER OVER THE TANK COVER

• IF THERE IS A PUMP STATION WITHIN THE TANK, THE RISER DIAMETER MUST BE 24"

• OUTLET BAFFLES THAT UTILIZE AN EFFLUENT FILTER MUST HAVE A RISER OF AT LEAST 18"

#### **RISERS, OTHER FACILITIES**

#### ALL RISERS MUST BE LOCATED AT GRADE. GRADE MUST SLOPE AWAY FROM THE OPENINGS

#### **Construction Related Rules**

#### TABLE 11B Maximum Percent passing by weight

		Nominal Stone Size	
		<b>1</b> ½"	3/4"
Siev	2"	100	100
e Size	1 ½'''	95 - 100	100
	3/4"	0 - 40	90 - 100
	1/2"	0 - 20	0 - 55
	3/8"	0 - 8	0 - 25
	#4	0 - 5	0 - 10
	#200	0 - 2	0 - 2

#### Construction Related Rules Chapter 11 - Disposal Field Construction Techniques

#### Section 11F.2d Placement

Stone may be placed in the disposal field site using a backhoe, front-end loader, or dump truck, from the sides of the disposal field rather than by driving onto the prepared area of the disposal field.

In the case of large disposal fields, tracked equipment may be operated within the disposal field.



#### Inspections

#### **Second Inspection**

A common installation error is use of poor quality or poorly sized stone, which results in reduced void space and occasional sealing off by very fine particles.

Stone must be  $\frac{3}{4}$ " OR 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in size, clean, and evenly sized to provide sufficient void space.

Some installers wrongly interpret the size range as allowing a mix of sizes.



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#### PIPING BETWEEN COMPONENTS

#### Section 6M - PIPING

- GRAVITY FLOW NO LESS THEN 3", PRIMITIVE 1.5"
- PUMP DISCHARGE NO LESS THAN MANUFACTURER SPEC.
- JOINTS MADE WATERTIGHT
- LAID IN A FIRM FOUNDATION AND PROTECTED FROM FREEZING
- BUILDING SEWER PITCH PIPES UNDER 4" = 1/4 " PER FOOT
- PIPES 4" & LARGER = 1/8" PER FOOT MAY BE AUTHORIZED BY THE LPI
- EFFLUENT LINE PITCH 1/8" PER FOOT

The disposal field stone shall be covered with a layer of nonwoven fabric or two (2) inches of compressed hay.

Non-woven fabric may be used, provided the edges of adjacent sheets of fabric overlap by a minimum of 6 inches; and the for the fabric shall be 4.0 ounces/square yard (per ASTM D-3776).



## SECOND INSPECTION ELEVATIONS, BACKFILL, SLOPE, PITCH...

PRIOR TO COVERING THE SYSTEM

SYSTEM COMPONENTS

STONE, PIPES OR PROPRIETARY DEVICES

TANKS, HAY, FILTER FABRIC

FILL BENEATH AND BESIDE THE DISPOSAL FIELD INCLUDING FILL EXTENSIONS

**CURTAIN DRAINS, DIVERSION DITCHES, BERMS** 

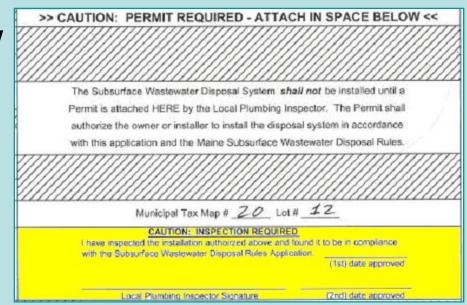
SHOULDER, FILL EXTENSIONS

# Permitting

#### **Certificates of Approval**

The LPI must sign the inspection block on the HHE-200 Form or Plumbing Application, just below the permit label area, which comprises a Certificate of Approval.

The LPI should simultaneously sign the permittee's copy and the Town's copy. This will provide the Town and the permitee with a permanent record that the inspection took place.



# Section 11E FILL MATERIAL PLACEMENT ABOVE DISPOSAL FIELD

IMMEDIATELY ABOVE THE FILTER FABRIC OR HAY, FILL IS REQUIRED AS SPECIFIED ON THE PLANS, (TABLE 800.1)

A MINIMUM OF 8 INCHES INCLUDING COVER MATERIAL

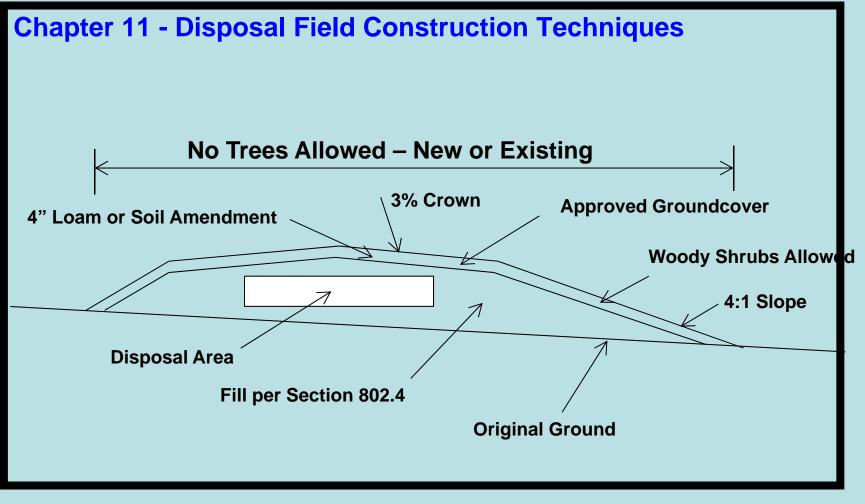
# COVER MATERIAL

#### **11E.2d - Cover Material**

IMMEDIATELY ABOVE THE BACKFILL OR FILL MATERIAL, A MINIMUM OF 4" OF SOIL OR SOIL AMENDMENT MIX, SUITIBLE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOOD VEGITATIVE COVER MUST BE PLACED OVER THE ENTIRE DISTURBED SOIL AREA, INCLUDING FILL EXTENSIONS

3% CROWN, 3' SHOULDER AND 4:1 FILL EXTENSIONS

#### **Construction Related Rules**



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#### **Length of Fill Extensions**

Upslope thickness of fill in feet at edge of shoulder

(Proposed finish grade slope in feet per foot + existing ground grade in feet per foot)

(4 to 1 = 25 % = 0.25 feet per foot) + (rise over run, difference in elevation / distance)

12 inches / 12 = 1.00' ----- = 2.5 feet round up to 3 feet 0.25 feet per foot + 4 feet / 20 feet 0.25 + 0.15

Note: When existing ground upslope is three (3) percent or less the existing ground slope should be calculated to be level.

#### **Length of Fill Extensions**

Shoulder Slope =  $3' \times .03 = 0.09$ 

5 % Existing ground slope = 3' x0.05 = 0.15 - 0.09 = 0.06/(0.25 + 0.05) = 0.20 feet less 10% Existing ground slope = 3' x0.10 = 0.30 - 0.09 = 0.21/(0.25 + 0.10) = 0.60 feet less 15% Existing ground slope = 3' x0.15 = 0.45 - 0.09 = 0.36/(0.25 + 0.15) = 0.90 feet less 20% Existing ground slope = 3' x0.20 = 0.60 - 0.09 = 0.51/(0.25 + 0.20) = 1.13 feet less

### Length of Fill Extensions

Down slope thickness of fill in feet at edge of shoulder

(Proposed finish grade slope in feet per foot -- existing ground grade in feet per foot)

(4 to 1 = 25 % = 0.25 feet per foot)(rise over run, difference in elevation / distance)

36 inches / 12 = 3.00'

------ = 40 feet

0.25 feet per foot - 4 feet / 20 feet 0.25 - 0.15

#### Length of Fill Extensions

Shoulder Slope =  $3' \times .03 = 0.09$ 

5 % Existing ground slope = 3' x0.05 = 0.15 - 0.09 = 0.06/(0.25 - 0.05) = 0.3 feet more

10% Existing ground slope = 3' x0.10 = 0.30 - 0.09 = 0.21/(0.25 - 0.10) = 1.4 feet more

15% Existing ground slope = 3' x0.15 = 0.45 - 0.09 = 0.36/(0.25 - 0.15) = 3.6 feet more

20% Existing ground slope = 3' x0.20 = 0.60 - 0.09 = 0.51/(0.25 - .20) = 10.2 feet more

### **11G.7 - FINAL EROSION CONTROL**

VEGETATIVE COVERS GRASS, CLOVER, TREFOIL, VETCH, WILD FLOWERS, ETC..

OTHER COVERS BARK CHIPS, WOOD CHIPS

WOODY SHRUBS AND TREES ARE UNACCEPTABLE EXCEPT FOR WOODY SHRUBS ON FILL EXTENSIONS



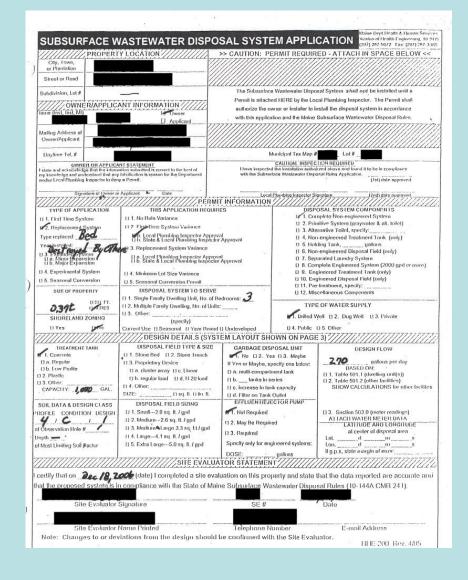
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## POOR SITE EVALUATION

Page one of the HHE-200 Form must be signed by both the owner/applicant and the Site Evaluator before a permit can be issued.

It is important to check that each block on the form is properly completed. If any information is lacking, the LPI should not issue the permit.



#### Page One

TYPE OF APPLICATION 1) 1. First Time System 12. Replacement System Type replaced: U.3. Expended System U.3. Expended System U.3. Expended System U.5. Seasonal Conversion	THIS APPLICATION REQUIRES     1.1. No Rule Variance     1.2. First-Time System Variance     1.5. State & Local Plumbing Inspector Approval     1.5. State & Local Plumbing Inspector Approval     1.3. Replacement System Variance     1.4. Local Plumbing Inspector Approval     1.5. State & Local Plumbing Inspector Approval	DISPOSAL SYSTEM COMPONENTS 1. Complete Non-engineered System 1. 2. Primitive System (graywater & alt. toilet) 1. 3. Alternative Toilet, specify: 1. 4. Non-engineered Treatment Tank (only) 1. 5. Holding Tank,gallons 1. 6. Non-engineered Disposal Field (only) 1. 7. Separated Laundry System 1. 8. Complete Engineered System (2000 gpd or more) 1. 9. Engineered Treatment Tank (only) 1. 9. Engineered Disposal Field (only) 1. 10. Engineered Disposal Field (only)	
SIZE OF PROPERTY	DISPOSAL SYSTEM TO SERVE	D 11. Pre-treatment, specify: U 12. Miscellaneous Components	
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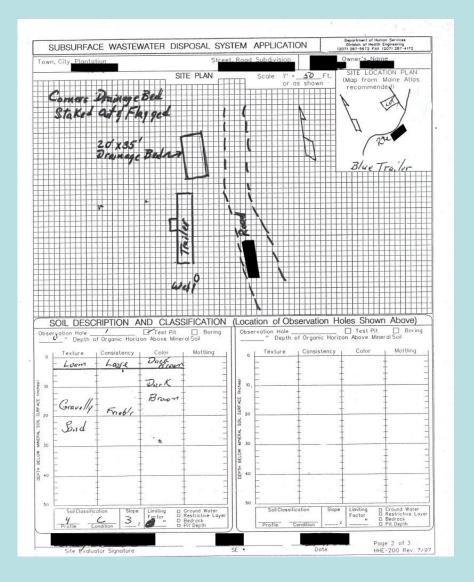
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TREATMENT TANK 1. Concrete D a. Regular () b. Low Profile () 2. Plastic 1) 3. Other: CAPACITY:	DISPOSAL FIELD TYPE & SIZE () 1. Stone Bed (1) 2. Stone Trench TI 3. Proprietary Device () a. cluster array (1) c. Unear () b. regular load (1) d. 11-20 load () 4. Other: SIZE:1 sq. ft. () lin. ft.	GARBAGE DISPOSAL UNIT       DESIGN FLOW         Maybe       Design FLOW         Maybe, specify one bolow:       gallous per day         D a. multi-compartment tank       DASED ON:         D btanks in series       D.1. Table 501.1 (dwelling unit(s))         D c. Increase in tank capacity       D.2. Table 501.2 (other facilities)         D d. Filter on Tank Outled       SHOW CALCULATIONS for other facilities         EFFLUENT/EJECTOR PUMP       D.3. Section 503.0 (incler readings)         AT LACH WATER METER DATA       LATHODE AND LONGTODE         D 3. Required       Latds         DOSE:       gallons
SOIL DATA & DESIGN CLASS PROFILE CONDITION DESIGN at Observation Hole # Depth of Most Limiting Soll Factor	DISPOSAL FIELD SIZING U 1. Small2.0 sq. ft. / gpd U 2. Medium2.6 sq. ft. / gpd U 3. Medium-ALarge 3.3 sq. ft. / gpd U 4. Large4.1 sq. ft. / gpd U 5. Extra Large5.0 sq. ft. / gpd	

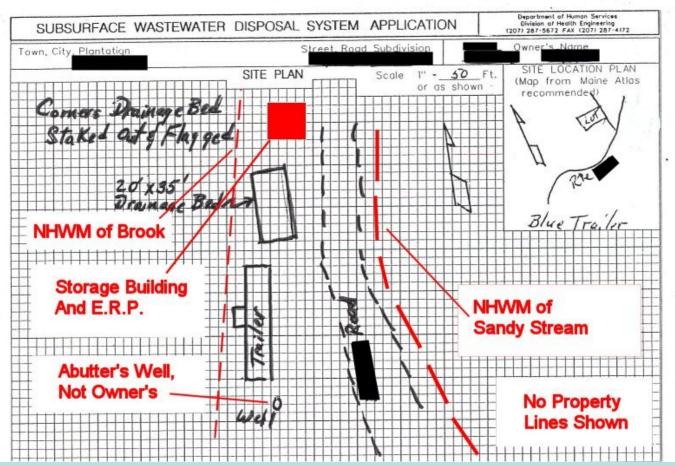
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The site plan should show all prominent features in the vicinity of the proposed system.

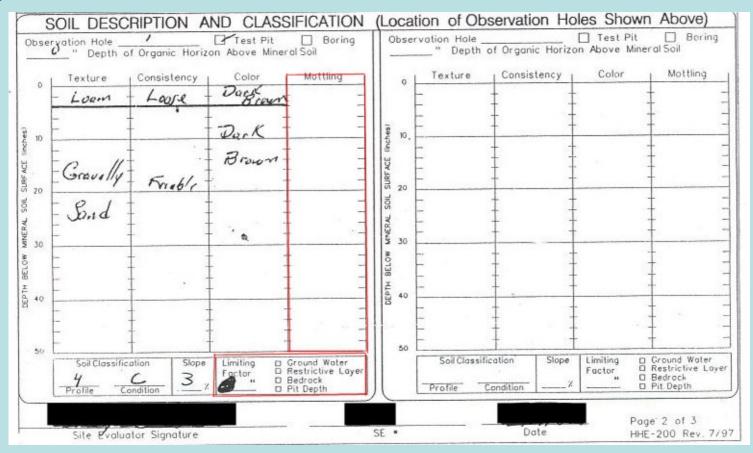
Test pit logs should be complete and accurate.



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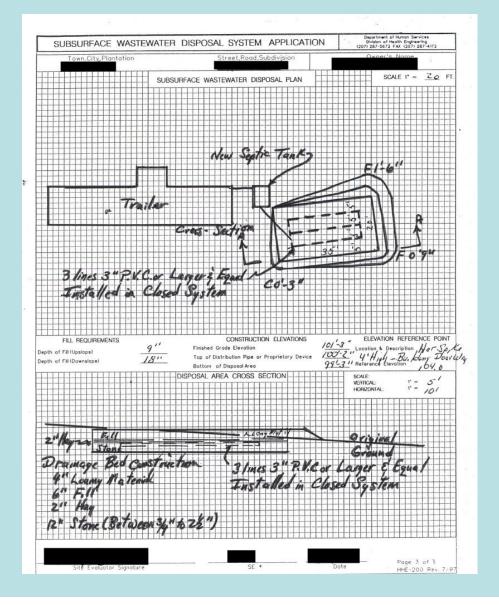


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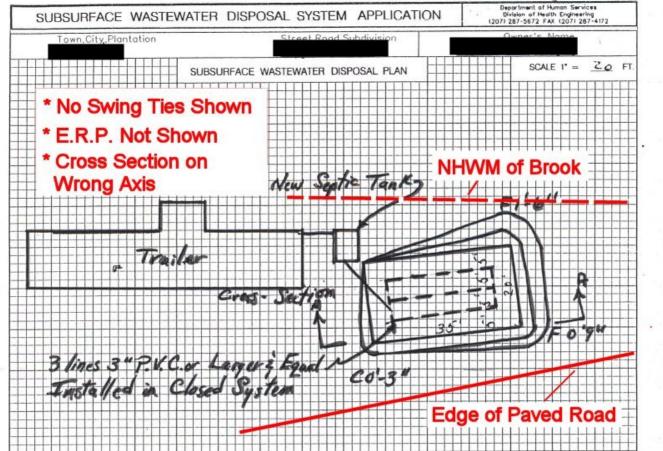


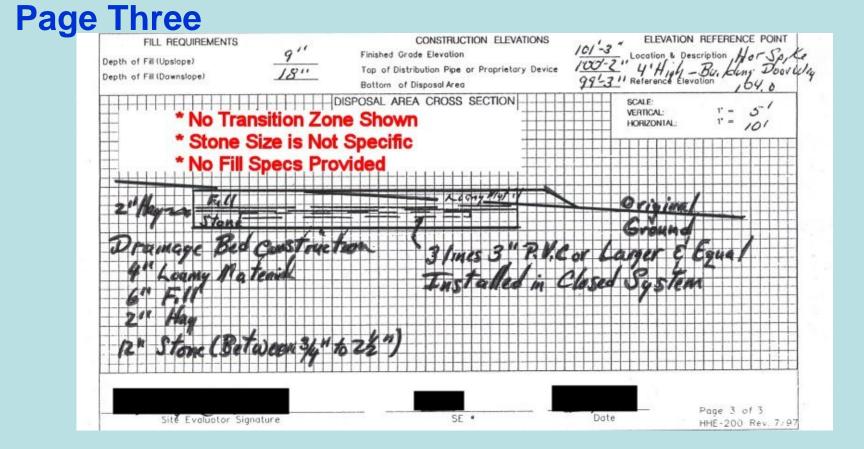
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Page three should contain all necessary construction data for installation of the disposal area.



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## MALFUNCTION COMPLAINTS

#### Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules Definition of Malfunction

**Malfunctioning system:** A system that is not operating or is not functioning properly based on the following indicators:

- Ponding or outbreak of wastewater or septic tank effluent onto the surface of the ground;
- Seepage of wastewater or septic tank effluent into parts of buildings below
  - ground;
- Back-up of wastewater into the building being served that is not caused by a

physical blockage of the internal plumbing;

• Or contamination of nearby water wells or water bodies/courses.

## Anatomy of a Malfunction Investigation

Breakout of Effluent.



## Anatomy of a Malfunction Investigation

#### Breakout of Effluent and Abutter's Boat



## It is the municipality's responsibility to remedy a malfunctioning subsurface wastewater disposal system per Title 30-A §3428

**1. Abatement procedure.** Upon complaint of any person resulting in documentation of a malfunctioning waste water disposal unit or on their own information, the municipal officers shall serve an order to remedy a malfunctioning waste water disposal unit upon the owner of any premises within that municipality that has such a malfunctioning unit.

**2. Content of order.** The order must be addressed to the owner of the premises and must contain:

A. The date

B. The fact of the malfunctioning waste water disposal unit;

C. A notice to **remedy the nuisance within 10 days** of service of the order; and

D. The signatures of the municipal officers.

The municipal officers may allow the owner of the premises to request an extension of the 10-day period for no longer than an <u>additional 20 days</u> and may explain how to request an extension in the order. The municipal officers or their agents may approve an extension if it is reasonably necessary for and likely to result in remediation of the nuisance.

## It is the municipality's responsibility to remedy a malfunctioning subsurface wastewater disposal system per Title 30-A §3428

**3. Service and return of service.** One of the municipal officers or a law enforcement officer shall serve the order personally upon the owner, tenant or occupant in possession. The server shall make and file a return of service indicating the method used and the person served.

**4. Abatement.** If the nuisance is not abated within the 10-day period or such period up to but not exceeding the additional 20 days as allowed by the municipal officers under subsection 2, the municipal officers or their agents may enter the premises and have the malfunction adequately remedied. To recover any actual and direct expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees if the municipality is the prevailing party, incurred by the municipality in the abatement of such nuisances, the municipality shall:

A. File a civil action against the owner. The costs, including reasonable attorney fees, to create and prosecute an action to collect expenses following such a civil complaint, shall also be recovered from the owners; or

B. Assess a special tax against the land on which the waste water disposal unit is located for the amount of the expenses. This amount shall be included in the next annual warrant to the tax collector of the municipality for collection in the same manner as other state, county and municipal taxes are collected. Interest as determined by the municipality pursuant to Title 36, section 505, in the year in which the special tax is assessed, shall accrue on all unpaid balances of any special tax beginning on the 60th day after the day of commitment of the special tax to the collector. The interest shall be added to and become part of the tax.

## The Department's Role in the remedy of a malfunctioning subsurface wastewater disposal system per Title 30-A §4212

1. Administration of rules. The department is responsible for ensuring the proper administration of the subsurface wastewater disposal rules and permitting processes by municipalities. The department shall assist municipalities in complying with this subchapter and with section 3428.

**2. Review.** The department shall review the administration of subsurface wastewater disposal rules and laws in each municipality for compliance with this subchapter and with section 3428. This review must be made on a regular basis and may be made in response to a written complaint from any person as necessary. The department shall inspect the municipality's records and discuss the administration of the program with the local plumbing inspector. The local plumbing inspector shall be available during the department's review and shall cooperate in providing all necessary information. The department shall report the results of its review in writing to the municipality and, when applicable, to the complainant. The written notice must set forth the department's findings of whether the municipality is in compliance with this subchapter and section 3428.

#### <u>The Department's Role in the remedy of a malfunctioning subsurface</u> <u>wastewater disposal system per Title 30-A §4212</u>

3. Violation; penalty. If after review the department finds any violation of this subchapter or section 3428, it shall <u>notify the municipality that it has 30 days in</u> <u>which to take enforcement action</u> and shall specify what action must be taken in order to achieve compliance.

The municipality shall file a plan acceptable to the department setting forth how it will attain compliance.

The department shall notify the municipality that it will **review the municipality for compliance within 60 days of accepting the plan** and shall conduct that review.

Any municipality which fails to file an acceptable plan with the department or which remains in violation at the expiration of the 60-day period is subject to a civil penalty of at least \$500.

The department shall enforce this section in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Every 30-day period that a municipality remains in violation after review and notification constitutes a separate offense.

## **ISSUES / COMPLAINTS**

## Malfunction

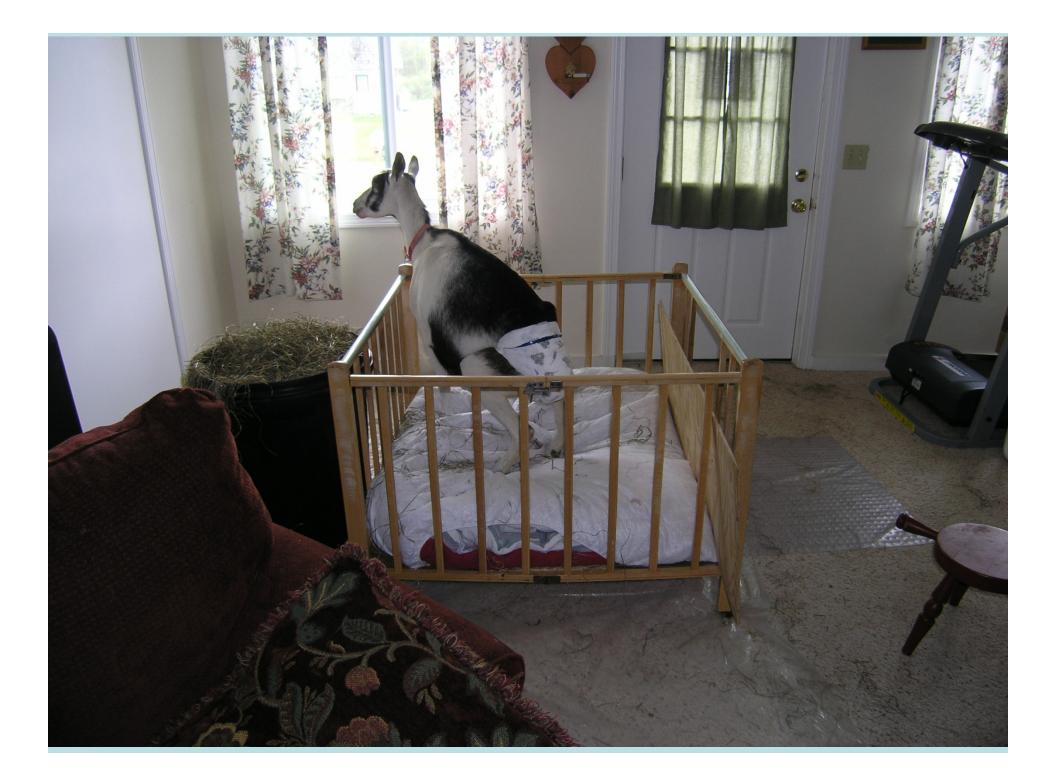


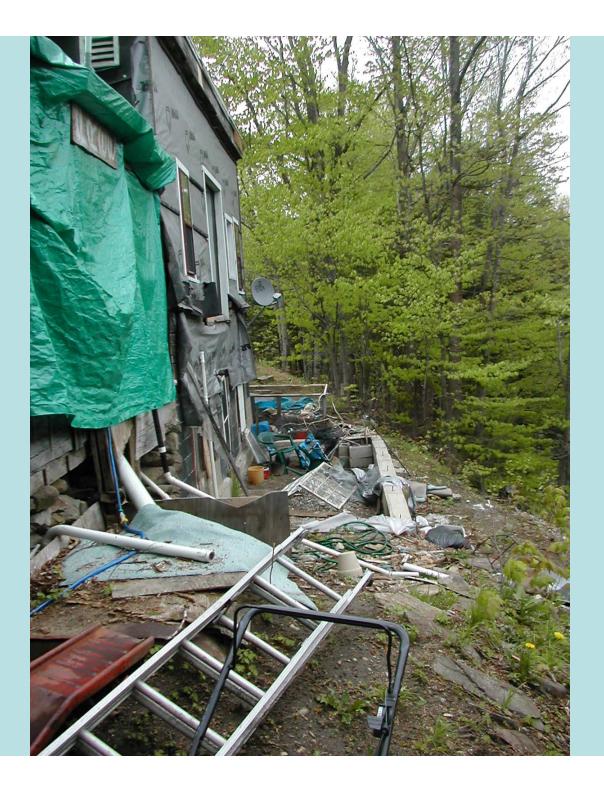
## **Possible Malfunction**



## WHEN DOING INSPECTIONS

BE PREPARED TO SEE ANYTHING





## Campgrounds







# Why can't I hook up to my septic?











