



**BE CAREFUL and BE SAFE – CALL FOR UNDERGROUND UTILITY LOCATIONS BEFORE YOU DIG!**  
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**Rules, Approved Material Listing, and Database of Licensed Installers can be accessed at:**  
<http://www.deq.state.or.us/wq/onsite/onsite.htm>

#### **General Conditions and Requirements for All Permits**

Onsite Construction – Installation Permits are valid for one year from the date of issuance. Renewal or reinstatement of a permit may be granted to the original permittee if an application for permit renewal or reinstatement is filed within one year after the original permit expiration date. The renewal or reinstatement will be issued an expiration date one year after the previous date of expiration. Transfer of a permit from the original permittee to another person may be granted if an application for a permit transfer is filed prior to the original permit expiration date and no other changes to the permit are necessary. **Note: The fee for renewal, reinstatement, or transfer of a permit is less than that for a new permit.**

**ALL WORK IS TO CONFORM TO OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, CHAPTER 340, DIVISIONS 71 & 73. WORK MUST BE DONE BY THE PERMITTEE OR BY LICENSED SEWAGE DISPOSAL SERVICE BUSINESS. MAKE NO CHANGES IN THE SYSTEM LOCATION OR SPECIFICATIONS WITHOUT WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE PERMIT ISSUING AGENT.**

**Installation requirements:** The drainfield is to be installed in undisturbed native soil. There are to be no alterations of the natural site conditions such as soil removal or filling, or slope/topography alterations within the approval areas for both the initial and replacement systems unless otherwise authorized by the agent. System installation is not to occur when soil moisture, high groundwater, adverse weather, or other conditions that could affect the quality of installation or reliability of the system are present. If such conditions are present and there is a need for sewage disposal at the site, the septic tank can be utilized as a temporary holding tank as outlined in 340-071-0160.

**Inspection Requirements:** The system installer and/or the permit holder must notify the permitting Agent when the construction, alteration, or repair of a system for which a permit was issued is completed (except for the backfilling or covering of the installation). For pressurized distribution, sand filters, RGFs, ATTs, and capping fill systems several inspections are required during the construction process (see inspection requirements specific to each system installation). The permitting agent has 7 days to perform an inspection of the completed construction after the official notice date, unless the permitting agent elects to waive the inspection and authorizes the system to be backfilled earlier. Receipt and acceptance of a completed **Final Inspection Request and Notice** form by the permitting agent establishes the official notice date of your request for the pre-cover inspection. The received copies must be legible and acceptable or will otherwise not be considered complete. Please complete all sections 1-4 on the form and return it to the office that issued the permit. Forms determined to be incomplete will be returned.

**System Backfill Requirements:** The system is to be backfilled or covered only after the permitting agent has approved the construction installation, the inspection has been waived, or the certificate of satisfactory completion (CSC) has been issued by operation of law where the inspection has not been conducted within 7 days of notification of completed installation. Unless otherwise required, it is the system installer's responsibility to backfill the system within 10 days after inspection and issuance of the CSC. Backfill must be carefully placed to prevent damage to the system. The backfill must be free of large stones, frozen clumps of earth, masonry, stumps, waste construction materials, or other materials that could damage the system. Be sure that the untreated building paper, filter fabric, or other material approved by the agent is completely covering all drain media where required prior to backfill. The system can be connected to and placed into service once it has been properly backfilled and the CSC has been issued.

**Initial and Replacement Areas – Protection:** The installed subsurface absorption field and designated replacement areas must be protected and kept free of development such as roadways, covering with asphalt or concrete, filling, cutting, or other soil modifications.