



Application for
**Septic System
Location Approval**

Per Chpt. 8A, Article VI of the City Ordinances
City of Somersworth, New Hampshire
One Government Way, Somersworth NH 03878
Telephone: (603) 692-9520 Fax: (603) 692-9575

Permit # _____
Map # _____
Lot # _____
Zone _____
Permit Fee: \$35.00
Fee Paid Date: _____
Cash or Check # _____
Rec'd By: _____

Location (Street # & Street Name): _____

Owner: _____ Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Designer: _____ Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

N.H. License Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Property is Residential Commercial

What is the distance to the municipal sewer collection system in feet? _____

Does the Use require an industrial pretreatment permit? (Yes / No) _____

Is the Building connected to municipal water? (Yes / No) _____

***This application will also need to be accompanied by ONE set of stamped Septic Plans to be kept for City records. ***

The burden for compliance with all applicable building codes, city ordinances and state laws rests solely upon the Property Owner.

The approval of this permit by the City is strictly a preliminary approval for the location of the system only. Once approved through the City, plans will need to be submitted to the State of New Hampshire, DES (Department of Environmental Services) for State approval prior to any construction; per RSA 485-A:32.

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**(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)**

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Code Enforcement Approval

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Department of Development Services**

**Code Enforcement Office**

To see if your system qualifies for replacement, please answer the following questions.

- 1) **Is the septic system serving a commercial building?** YES  NO

A commercial building is anything other than a one or two family private residence. If you answer yes to this question, you need to obtain a NH construction approval to replace the system.

- 2) **Is the leaching portion of the septic system within 75 feet of any surface water?** YES  NO

Surface water is a lake, pond, stream, river, tidal water, marsh or other body of water, natural or artificial. If you answer yes to this question, you must obtain a NH construction approval in order to replace the system.

- 3) **Is the leaching portion of the septic system within 75 feet of any wells?** YES  NO

If you answer yes to this question, a NH construction approval is needed prior to any work on the system.

- 4) **Is the leaching portion of the septic system less than 24 inches above the seasonal high water table?** YES  NO

This will have to be determined by a permitted designer or homeowner reading a test pit dug next to the existing septic system. Again if the answer is yes, a NH construction approval is needed.

REMEMBER: If you've answered yes to any of the above questions, your septic system does not qualify for Repair and Replacement of Existing Systems under Env-Wq 1003.10.

**Notes:**

It is the responsibility of all contractors to obtain the necessary permits from the Code Enforcement office at City Hall before any work has begun.

It is the responsibility of the contractor to obtain all inspections required. **\*\*A bed bottom inspection is required by the City. A twenty-four (24) hour notice is required for any inspection.\*\*** This signed application constitutes consent on the applicant's part to allow for all inspections at the property location listed.

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE:** I hereby apply for permission to make certain improvements as described above (plans to be submitted, if required by the building inspector). I have read and understand the statement and hereby agree to all of the terms stated therein. I agree to abide by any and all codes relating to the work, including all national, state and local codes. I also realize that any false statement made in the application for permit may be grounds for revocation of said permit.

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SIGNATURE

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DATE