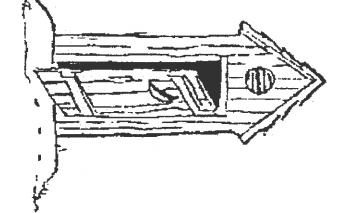
Record of Service

Installation Date	Type of System	Capacity
Contractor	Phone Number_	
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Your New Septic

System

Safety & Maintenance Tips



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Aerobic Treatment Units - DOs & DON'Ts

DO maintain a manufacturer approved service agreement. Your septic system requires

maintenance every six months

DO keep detailed records of inspections, pumpings, repairs and other maintenance.

DO keep your system accessible for inspections and pumping, yet protected from unauthorized

DO become familiar with how your system operates and learn the signs of a malfunctioning system.

DO conserve water to avoid overloading the system. Stagger laundry loads throughout the week, and repair any leaky faucets or toilets.

DON'T allow anyone to drive or park over any part of the system.

DON'T add hazardous chemicals such as paints, varnishes, thinners, waste oils, pesticides or medications to your system. Harsh chemicals will kill the beneficial bacteria that treat the waste water.

DON'T use a garbage disposal without being sure the system can handle the extra waste.

Excess solids with affect the preformance of the system.

DON'T make or allow any modifications to the system without consulting the Health Department. Only use licensed septic contractors when needed.

or any hazardous chemicals such as paints, varnishes, thinners, waste oil or pesticides. sanitary napkins, tampons, cigarette butts, condoms, paper towels, fat, grease, oil NEVER FLUSH coffee grinds, dental floss, disposable diapers, kitty litter,

must be licensed by the Illinois Department of Public Health. maintained a minimum of twice a year. Contractors performing maintenance REMEMBER: All aerobic treatment units must be monitored frequently and

Wastewater Treatment

Chemicals

Illinois Law requires wastewater effluent which is discharged to the ground surface and leaves the property to be disinfected. Specific chlorine tablets, designed for effluent disinfection, must be used.

Approved calcium hypochlorite tablets are very reactive and quickly kill bacteria present in wastewater. Just as important, chlorine residual present after disinfection dissipates rapidly so that it will not damage the receiving environment.

Swimming pool chlorine tablets are not approved. Swimming pool tablets do not disinfect wastewater effluent effectively and they leave a chlorine residual behind which can be harmful to the environment.

Before handling calcium hypochlorite tablets, become thoroughly familiar with the products warning labels and instructions for use.

Please contact the Fayette
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