



Application for  
**Septic System  
Approval**

City of Somersworth, New Hampshire  
One Government Way, Somersworth NH 03878  
Telephone: (603) 692-9520 Fax: (603) 692-9575

Map # \_\_\_\_\_

Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

**Permit Fee: \$25.00**

Fee Paid  Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash  or Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Rec'd By: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit # \_\_\_\_\_

Location (Street # & Street Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Designer: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

N.H. License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Code Enforcement Approval Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Engineer or Public Works 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** YES  NO

**75 feet of any surface water?**

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** YES  NO

**75 feet of any wells?**

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** YES  NO

**24 inches above the seasonal high water table?**

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-W's 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 rough-in inspection is required before any work is covered, and a final inspection is required when all work is complete. A forty-eight (48) 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