

South Essex Sewerage District

SEPTAGE INFORMATION

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The information detailed below explains current septage disposal policies at the District. These policies must be adhered to; failure to do so may result in fines or loss of disposal privileges.

HAULED WASTE PERMIT

All Haulers and individual trucks delivering septage to the District must be permitted.

A Hauled Waste Permit Application can be obtained from the Monitoring & Enforcement office. After review and approval a sticker for each septage truck will be issued at the Operations Building, Room 219.

STICKERS

A sticker is assigned to one specific truck only. If a sticker cannot be clearly read, will not adhere to the window or is lost, please notify the Monitoring & Enforcement Office and a new sticker will be issued.

ADMISSIBLE SEPTAGE

All septage discharged to SESD must originate within the District (Beverly, Danvers, Marblehead, Peabody and Salem) and must comply with the SESD Sewer Use Regulations (Ref: Section 3.3 *Hauled Waste*).

INADMISSIBLE SEPTAGE

Disposal of hazardous waste at the District is prohibited. Hazardous waste is as defined under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) [Ref: 40 CFR Section 261] or by Massachusetts state code [Ref: 310 CMR 30 Sections 100 through 160]. Disposal of industrial or commercial septage is prohibited unless authorization is given by the District. Industrial or commercial septage is anything other than domestic septage or commercial food establishment grease interceptors (traps). Septage must not contain sticks, stones, plastics, rags, straws or other solids and debris that could interfere with the District's septage disposal operation. Septage must not contain pollutants which could interfere with the wastewater treatment or sludge disposal operations or in any way create an unsafe condition at the District's facilities. Septage from Portable Toilets is prohibited.

SEPTAGE DISPOSAL AT SESD

The only disposal location for septage is at the Grit Building during the hours of operation which are 8:00AM to 12:00PM Monday to Friday. Septage disposal at any other location within the District or community sewer systems is not allowed. Discharge of septage at any location other than the Grit Building will result in immediate termination of a hauler's discharge privileges. Septage haulers are required to notify SESD staff prior to being allowed access onto the property. An SESD employee will review the Septage haulers paperwork and check the septage truck sample for pH prior to disposal of truck contents.

Operations Department: Call box at the front gate or call 978-744-4550 Ext. 116

Monitoring & Enforcement Department: Call 978-744-4550

Ext. 122 for Peter Clark, Supervisor of Monitoring & Enforcement

Ext. 137 for Paris Bruscoe, Industrial Pretreatment Inspector

GENERATOR SOURCE LIST FORMS

Generator Source List forms may be obtained at the Monitoring & Enforcement Office. Forms should be completed by the hauler at the time he picks up the septage at each location. An accurate and detailed list of all pick up locations must be included on the form.

All generator information must be accurate. The name, address (#, *Street Name, City/Town*) and telephone number on the voucher refer to the *owner/manager of the property* from where the septage originated, not the plumber, waste hauler or other subcontractor hired to dispose of the septage. If a customer is connecting to the sewerage system and will no longer require septage services please include that information on the generator source list form.

After the completed Generator Source list has been reviewed by an SESD employee for completeness, accuracy and to verify all septage originated from within the District boundaries, it is then attached to a completed Hauled Wastewater manifest form and placed into the proper receptacle.

HAULED WASTEWATER MANIFEST FORMS

Hauled Wastewater Manifest forms are provided at the septage receiving area.

Complete one form for each load. The forms are numbered and must be used in order.

If an error is made on the form, write "VOID" and place it in the receptacle for completed septage forms. Do not throw the voided form away. After the Septage hauler has filled out section one of the form (*Company Name, Company Address, SESD Sticker Number, Vehicle License Plate Number, Disposal Date/Time*) an SESD employee will complete section two of the form (*Sample Bottle Number, Sample pH, Disposal Location, SESD Employee Signature*). The completed Hauled Wastewater Manifest is then attached to the completed Generator Source List and then placed into the proper receptacle.

SAMPLING

Septage haulers are responsible for taking a representative sample of the truck content. The District will test the pH of each sample. The sample may also be tested periodically by the District for additional parameters. If the sample is found not to be in compliance with the Regulations, the hauler will be subject to actions which could result in loss of discharge privileges.

SEPTAGE pH

The pH of all septage must be between 5.0 and 12.5 pH units. Any septage outside of this range will not be accepted.

FLOW RATE RESTRICTIONS

Our septage receiving system is designed to handle a flow rate not to exceed 300gpm. Flow rates above this limit are prohibited. Pressurizing of tank during gravity unload is prohibited. Pressurizing is only allowed at the end of discharge to clear out hoses. The maximum allowable purge pressure shall be limited to 4psig.

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL DISCHARGE PERMIT

No septage from commercial or industrial facilities can be discharged unless and until a permit is issued.

Hauled septage originating from commercial and industrial facilities requires special authorization from the District prior to discharge to septage receiving.

The Owner of the facility must complete Attachment A in the Hauled Waste Permit Application for Request for Special Authorization of Hauled Commercial or Industrial Wastes. After review and approval the District will issue a Special Authorization permit.

CLEANLINESS OF SEPTAGE DISPOSAL AREA

It is the Haulers responsibility to keep the septage receiving area clean. No septage or other liquids shall be allowed outside the containment area. If any septage or chemicals are spilled or leaked on District property, the driver must immediately notify the Chief Operator on duty at ext. 116. Do not flush septage, chemicals or other liquids into any storm drain.

WASHING SEPTAGE TRUCKS

Do not wash or rinse septage trucks on District property.

NOTIFICATION OF ALTERATIONS TO SEPTAGE TRUCKS

Altering a septage truck capacity, vehicle registration or vehicle chassis at any time will void the current sticker. A septage truck will be rejected if it is altered in any way. Notify in writing the District's Monitoring & Enforcement office immediately of any such changes. Alterations require a new hauled Waste permit Application to be submitted and will involve a re-inspection of the vehicle and payment of applicable fees before a new sticker is issued.

VERIFICATION OF ACTIVE SEPTAGE TRUCKS

Once a year the District will require each septage hauler to verify all permitted trucks, their capacity and license plate/registration numbers as well as pertinent company information.

DISPOSAL FEES

Effective as of July 1, 2008 the septage disposal fee is \$100 per 1000 gallons. The minimum charge shall be for 1,000 gallons. The charge for each truck load delivered in a truck with a capacity of greater than 1,000 gallons, whether full or not, shall be computed by dividing the maximum capacity of the truck in gallons by 1,000 and then multiplying the result by the foregoing rate.

PAYMENT OF FEES

Payment of fees is due within 30 (thirty) days of the date on the invoice. Haulers not paying the entire septage bill in full within the 30 (thirty) days will be barred from using the District's facilities until all bills are paid in full.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Normal hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Closed on holidays.

CURRENT SESD SEWER USE REGULATIONS

The current SESD Sewer Use Regulation is Rev. 11.03, effective 2/15/06. Copies may be obtained from the Monitoring and Enforcement office, 978-744-4550, ext. 122.