

Dysart et al Septic Maintenance Inspection Program

Remedial Action Information Sheet - Greywater to Grade

The Ontario Building Code greywater as sanitary sewage of domestic origin that is derived from fixtures other than sanitary units. In other words, any sanitary sewage that does not come from a toilet is considered greywater. The code also requires all sanitary sewage to be treated by an approved-on site sewage system. During the onsite inspection it was found that that one or more of the fixtures in your dwelling was directed to grade or to an unapproved treatment solution. To gain compliance, please choose one of the options listed below.

1. Apply for and Install an Approved Class 2 System

- We recommend that you speak to local installers for assistance with the design and installation process. For liability reasons, the municipality cannot provide you with a list of installers, however, we do recommend that you speak to 3 or more to ensure that you are receiving accurate and competitive information.
- Information Sheet for Greywater System: https://www.dysartetal.ca/en/build-and-invest/Building%20Department/Greywater%20Pit.pdf
- Link to Septic Application: https://www.dysartetal.ca/en/build-and-invest/Building%20Department/Sewage-System-Permit-Application.pdf

2. Apply for and Install an Approved Class 4 System

- We recommend that you speak to local installers for assistance with the design and installation process. For liability reasons, the municipality cannot provide you with a list of installers, however, we do recommend that you speak to 3 or more to ensure that you are receiving accurate and competitive information.
- Link to Septic Application: https://www.dysartetal.ca/en/build-and-
 invest/Building%20Department/Sewage-System-Permit-Application.pdf

3. Direct all Plumbing to an Existing Approved System (If Applicable)

- Prior to redirecting the plumbing, you would need to complete a septic evaluation to confirm that your system is designed to accommodate the additional loading.
- Once you have been granted septic approval, you will need to apply for a plumbing permit to complete the work.
- Link to Septic Evaluation: https://forms.dysartetal.ca/Sewage-System-Review-Application-Existing-System
- Link to Plumbing Permit Application: https://www.dysartetal.ca/en/build-and-invest/Building%20Department/Building%20Permit%20Application.pdf

4. Formally Decommission All Plumbing

- To formally remove the plumbing, you will need to apply for a demolition permit. Once the permit has been issued, you will be required to remove the plumbing fixture(s) including the fixture, supply lines and drains entirely.
- Once everything is removed, an inspection is required to confirm compliance.
- Link to Demolition Permit Application: https://www.dysartetal.ca/en/build-and-invest/Building%20Department/Building%20Permit%20Application.pdf

Timeline: This infraction provides you with a timeline of 10 days from the date of the report to apply for one of the above options. Please submit your follow up to septic@dysartetal.ca.

Non-Compliance: Failure to address a failed inspection can lead to enforcement actions by the municipality including Building Code orders and potential fees. A non-compliant septic system can also pose risks to your health, the health of your neighbours, and the environment, particularly affecting lake health in our community.