TLC "A Guideline For Your Septic System Network"

Yearly service and inspection of your septic system network is the key to maximum system life.

Proper maintenance and use will prevent system failure.



Water conservation is essential to system function. Follow these simple guidelines:

–Install water saving equipment such as shower heads, toilet dams, faucet aerators, etc. This type of equipment improves biological environment in tanks, allows better solids settling, and cleaner effluent going to leaching facility network. Utility costs are also drastically reduced ...ITS AN ALL WIN, NO LOSE SITUATION.

-Repair leaky faucets and toilets immediately. A leaky faucet can cause a good system to fail quickly.

EDUCATE YOUR FAMILY ON WATER CONSERVATION. Some examples would be:

- Don't run water needlessly while brushing teeth
- Don't dispose of Kleenex, paper towels, sanitary napkins and cigarettes in the toilet, use waste baskets Always!
- Don't let water run needlessly while rinsing dishes
- Make sure clothes washer and dishwasher have a full load before operating
- Don't save all the laundry for one day do a little each day
- Don't flush needlessly

Some Suggestions and Recommendations For Proper Use Of Your System Network:

- Use only biodegradable bathroom tissue.
- Use bleach sparingly.
- Use biodegradable laundry detergents and household cleaners.
- Use natural health care products whenever possible.
- Toilet bowl cleaners and deodorizers limit system function.
- Dispose of paint thinners, pesticides and all toxic substances properly, NEVER IN YOUR SYSTEM!! All effluent goes back into the ground ... do not pollute your underground water supply.
- Use of garbage disposal requires special septic maintenance. If you use one, only put edible waste through it if you can't eat it, don't put it in the garbage disposal, put it in the waste basket.
- Keep grease, fats and food wastes out of your system as much as possible. Undigested food wastes do not break down well in your system.

A Few Last Recommendations...

Know where your system network is located - keep a diagram or plan of location. Have inlet and cleanout covers close to or at grade for easy access. Locating and exposing covers everytime systems are serviced is costly and unnecessary.

REMEMBER: Your system is a living network. It needs the right diet, exercise and environment to function just as you do. Maintain and use it wisely.

CLEAN WATER AND A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT IS THE END RESULT!

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