

DAVE'S SEPTIC SERVICES

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BASIC RECOMMENDATIONS:

ACCESSIBILITY/LANDSCAPING:

- It is the property owners responsibility to keep **all** access lids and panels accessible to the surface and free of obstructions. Non-accessible or obstructed access lids and panels will not be serviced. If you intend to landscape around your septic components and have questions please contact our office. We will be glad to discuss landscaping options that will allow reasonable accessibility.
- Do maintain or provide positive drainage away from all septic components to prevent surface and/or groundwater intrusion.
- Do not plant vegetation with thorns around access lids or panels.
- Do not plant easily damaged vegetation around access lids or panels.

SOLUBLE AND SUSPENDED SOLIDS:

- Use all detergents at $\frac{1}{4}$ the suggested dose by the product manufacturer.
- Do not dispose of fats, oil, or grease (FOG) to the septic system. This includes bath oils and liquid fabric softeners.
- Do limit toilet paper use to minimize load to the system.

EXCESSIVE SOLIDS:

- Use garbage disposal (if present) as little as possible to prevent excessive organic loading to the septic system.
- Do not dispose of sanitary products, cigarette butts, or other non-decomposable items to the septic system.

EXCESSIVE FLOW (High Water Alarms):

- Do check for leaky toilets if a high water alarm occurs. This can be accomplished by putting food coloring in the toilet tank. If the coloring immediately appears in the toilet bowl the toilet leaks and should have the water supply to the toilet shut off until the leak can be repaired.
- Do report previously undiagnosed alarms in a timely fashion.

TOXIC CHEMICALS:

- Do not use disinfecting products in the toilet tank. These are the tablets or bottles you place in the toilet tank to disinfect the bowl after every flush.
- Do not dispose of caustic chemicals to the septic system. These types of chemicals are most often found in cleaning products. As a general rule of thumb, if the product has an orange or red label stating "BIO-HAZARDOUS" or "BIO-TOXIC" you should switch to a more microbe friendly product.
- Do not use toxic drain clearing products. Baking soda dumped into a drain followed by several cups of hot vinegar may be used as a substitute.

If you have questions regarding your on-site septic system operation or want to schedule an appointment during normal business hours to have one of our representatives explain your system to you, please contact our office at (360) 830-9699.