

### INFORMATION YOU SHOULD KNOW REGARDING SEPTIC TANK ABANDONMENTS

1. When a septic tank is abandoned in conjunction with connection to a public sewer, the Building and Engineering Division will issue a plumbing permit and inspect the septic tank abandonment.
2. If the fill is un-certified (the backfill operation is not observed and certified by a geotechnical engineer) no structures will be permitted over the septic tank location.
3. If a future addition is to be constructed in this area, a geotechnical engineering firm shall provide the recommendation for abandonment or removal and certification of completion of this procedure.

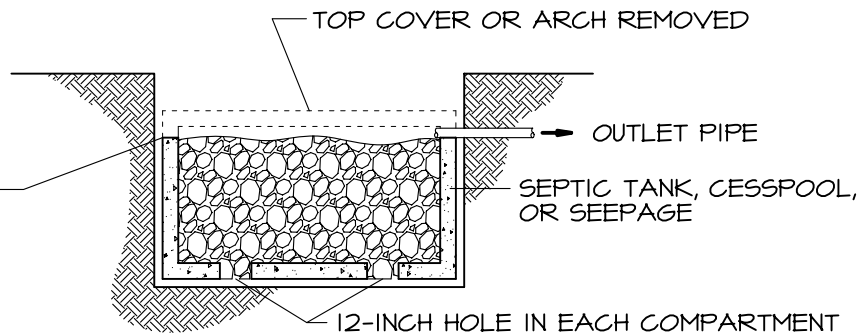
### INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PULL A SEPTIC TANK ABANDONMENT PERMIT

1. In order track the location of the existing septic tank, Building and Engineering requires that a plot plan be provided as part of the documents need to pull a building permit. The plot plan must contain the following:
  - A plot plan that provides a close representation of the property, including shape, lot dimensions, and orientation.
  - Location of all structures on the property including the dimensions from all structures to the septic tank.
  - Show location and size of the sewer lateral, as it enters the property.

### PROCEDURES FOR ABANDONMENT OF A SEPTIC TANK, CESSPOOL, OR BRICK-LINED SEEPAGE PIT

1. Completely remove (pump out) all sewage from the septic tank, cesspool, or brick-lined seepage pit. Provide a copy of the pumping receipt to the inspector.
2. Remove or crush the top cover or arch over the septic tank, cesspool, or brick-lined seepage pit.
3. Punch a hole at least 12 inches in diameter at the bottom of the septic tank in each compartment.
4. Fill the septic tank, cesspool, or brick-lined seepage pit with clean earth, sand, gravel, or other material approved by Building and Engineering Division. DO NOT fill above the top of the remaining vertical portions of the side walls or above the level of any outlet pipe, until approved by the inspector. SEE DIAGRAM BELOW
5. When filling with earth or sand, consolidate the material to minimize settling.
6. Inspections: Call the Building and Engineering Inspection Office at (805)385-7936 for an abandonment and sewer connection inspection.
7. Fill to original ground level only after approval from the Building Inspector is received.

FILL WITH EARTH. SAND. GRAVEL, OR OTHER APPROVED MATERIAL. UNTIL APPROVED BY THE CITY INSPECTOR THE FILLING MUST NOT EXTEND ABOVE THE TOP OF THE VERTICAL PORTIONS OF THE SIDE WALLS OR ABOVE THE LEVEL OF ANY OUTLET PIPE.



### IMPORTANT

CITY CODE REQUIRES THAT THE SEPTIC TANK, CESSPOOL, OR BRICK-LINED SEEPAGE PIT BE ABANDONED/DEMOLISHED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER CONNECTION TO THE CITY SEWER.



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