

1. Guarantee is 1 year from the date of moving in home and starting use.
2. We can not control how your ground will perk or absorb water we are not responsible.
3. No Backfilling on top of Drainfield, this will cause decrease in sunlight absorption rate.
4. Conserve water to reduce the load on the septic system. For example, do laundry throughout the week instead of all at once; use flow reducer nozzles on showers; install water-conserving commodes.
5. Tree roots that invade your septic system can do major damage. Keep trees at least 100 feet away from the septic system. Trees with aggressive roots, such as willows, should be even farther away.
6. A soggy drainfield can't handle waste effectively, so design landscaping, roof gutters, and foundation drains to divert excess water away from the septic system.
7. Never flush cat litter, disposable diapers, sanitary napkins, tampons, condoms, paper towels, facial tissues, coffee grounds, cigarette butts, or similar items down the toilet. They'll quickly fill and clog your septic system.
8. Use garbage disposals wisely. They can double the amount of solids added to a septic tank. Consider installing a top-of-the-line disposal. It will likely grind waste into smaller particles, which break down more readily when they reach the system.
9. Do not overuse heavy cleaners, especially those containing bleach. They kill beneficial bacteria in the septic tank, so solids won't break down as well.
10. Do not pour grease down the drain. It will eventually clog your drainfield. If that happens you'll need an extensive (and expensive) septic system repair, and if there's no space for a repair drainfield you will have serious problems establishing a system at all.
11. Do not pour hazardous chemicals down the drain. They can harm your septic system and will eventually find their way into the groundwater.
12. Do not drive over the drainfield, build a structure on top of it, or cover it with concrete or asphalt. A few years ago, there was a home for sale in our area with an above-ground swimming pool built on the septic drainfield. That's a definite don't!
13. ***Do plant grass on the drainfield to minimize soil erosion.***
14. Some professionals recommend a monthly dose of an enzyme product that adds beneficial bacteria to the septic system. Others say it isn't necessary and won't improve the performance of your system. Bottom line, septic additives are not expensive, so they can't hurt. I know several people who swear that flushing a few packets of yeast each month is a great way to keep septic systems in shape.
15. System should be pumped every **5 years** to avoid solids from accumulating inside tank.
16. Questions contact my office 397-5436 or local health dept at 397-2823.

