

## RECOMMENDED DO'S AND DON'TS

Acquire application for permit from Henry County Health Department.

Do select an adequately sized, watertight septic tank with proper baffles and access.

Don't use septic tank additives; they may harm your system by clogging the soil treatment unit.

Don't use a garbage disposal with a septic tank unless you plan to follow a rigid maintenance schedule.

Don't go down into a septic tank.

Don't run footing drainwater in the sewage treatment system.

Don't run water softener backwash water into the septic tank.

Don't bypass the septic tank with washwater; run all sewage into the septic tank.

Investigate the site and soils carefully; select the proper location for the soil treatment unit.

Keep the sewage treatment system shallow, both the septic tank and the soil treatment unit.

Use clean rock  $\frac{3}{4}$ " to 4" in diameter; don't use crushed limestone.

Use 6" - 8" of rock below the distribution pipe.

Carefully prepare the soil surface, especially clay soils.

Use a backhoe bucket that has side teeth to leave the trench sidewalls rough.

Don't excavate with a front end loader or bulldozer blade.

Don't use distribution boxes on sloping ground.

Provide 6' solid piping out of all distribution boxes.

Don't install a holding tank for a new home.

Don't install your system and forget it.

Maintain your sewage treatment system regularly, even when it is working properly; it will be a lifetime installation.

Have a contract to service your sewage treatment system.