

Setbacks for Private Sewage Systems

Under The Planning and Development Act, 2007

Proposed property lines must be setback from sewage disposal system components as indicated below; otherwise a system may need to be replaced before a subdivision application may be approved.

The chart below is a partial summary of the distances given in the Saskatchewan Onsite Wastewater Disposal Guide found on the Provincial website at:

www.health.gov.sk.ca/wastewater-disposal-guide

All distances are subject to change to suit site conditions as determined by a Public Health Inspector. A permit must be obtained from a Public Health Inspector before any person installs a system. A Public Health Inspector must inspect an installation before it is covered or back-filled. Public Health Inspectors may be contacted at the nearest Health Region office.

A vertical distance of at least 1.5 m must separate the base of a sewage system from a water table. Consult a Public Health Inspector for details.

For information on subdividing land, visit: www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/div/cpb/subdivision.html or contact:

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For subdivision application forms and more detail about the subdivision approval process and the municipal

reserve options visit: www.municipal.gov.sk.ca

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Disposal System Components	Building	Property Line	Well or Water Source	Surface Water	Cut or Embankment	Walkway Driveway
Holding Tank use if onsite disposal is not possible – effluent must be hauled to an approved disposal site	1 m	3 m	9 m	9 m	3 m	1.5 m
Septic Tank Usually the first tank or settling tank for an onsite system	1 m	3 m	9 m	9 m	3 m	1.5 m
Mound	9 m	3 m	15 m	15 m	3 m	1.5 m
Jet (or open discharge) Minimum lot size of 4 ha or 9.8 acres	60 m	60 m	45 m	45 m	30 m	30 m
Absorption Field (buried)	9 m	3 m	15 m	15 m	3 m	1.5 m
Chamber System	9 m	3 m	15 m	15 m	3 m	1.5 m
Lagoon Minimum lot size of 4 ha or 9.8 acres	60 m (300 m to Neighbour Dwelling)	30 m	90 m	90 m	30 m	