

**Appendix “A” to  
Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority  
Sewer Rules and Regulations**

**Special Rules and Regulations  
Part County Sewer District No. 9  
Obercreek Farm Community Wastewater System**

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I. Scope

These Special Rules and Regulations are in addition to the Dutchess County Sewer Rules and Regulations and are applicable only to Part County Sewer District No. 9 Obercreek Farm Community Wastewater System.

II. Rules and Regulations

A. Permit

1. Prior to any installation, the property owner (hereafter “Owner”) must obtain a permit from DCWWA for the connection to the public sewer. Owner shall pay permit fee per established fee schedule.
2. Prior to permit approval, the Owner is responsible to submit for DCWWA approval the following prepared by a Licensed Professional Engineer currently registered to practice in New York State:
  - a. a. Design Standards – Unless otherwise modified herein, the design shall conform to the requirements of the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health Design and Construction Standards (2016 or as subsequently revised) and the New York State Department of Health Appendix 75A (2016 or as subsequently revised) and with Chapters 5 and 6 of the New York State Department of Health Residential Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Design Handbook (2012 or as subsequently revised.)
  - b. A site plan locating the residence, the septic tank, the discharge line, connection point to the public sewer and access to the septic tank for inspection and cleaning.
  - c. Calculations determining the required capacity of the septic tank – shall conform to the requirements of the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health Design and Construction Standards (2016 or as subsequently revised) and with Table 3 of the above referenced NYSDOH Design Handbook.
  - d. Technical data on the construction and installation of the septic tank, any required lift station, source of power supply to lift station and piping materials.
  - e. Installation must be certified as having been installed in accordance with the approved documents by the same Licensed Professional Engineer as performed the design.

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3. No discharge to the public sewer will be allowed until all permit conditions have been met.
4. Issuance of a permit for service grants to DCWWA and its employees, agents and contractors the right of access to the property for inspection and service of the septic tank and further grants access to the residence to determine that non-conforming use, improper installation or any other violation of the Rules and Regulations in regards to permit are not occurring.

**B. Connected Items**

1. Sanitary wastes from any agricultural, commercial or industrial operations including food processing or preparation and laundries will not be accepted into the system.
2. Only plumbing fixtures acceptable to the Plumbing and Energy Conservation Codes of New York State are allowed
3. Only residential style dish washers, clothes washers and other appliances with sanitary waste may be connected to sanitary waste system.
4. Discharges from roof, foundation and storm drainage are not allowed to be discharged to the septic tank nor the discharge line from the septic tank.
5. Back wash from such items as swimming pool filters, domestic water filters and water treatment/conditioning equipment shall not be connected to the sanitary waste system.

**C. Installation Requirements**

1. Septic tanks
  - a. Must be located such to minimize the distance between the septic tank and the public sewer.
  - b. Must be no farther than 50’ from a public road or private road or drive capable of supporting a standard vacuum septic tank cleaning truck.
  - c. All septic tanks will consist of two compartments with the first compartment of approximately 2/3 the volume of the total tank volume required by regulation for residences with garbage disposals.
  - d. All septic tank inspection/cleaning ports shall be extended to the surface with a removable cap of no less than 24” in diameter weighing less than 40 pounds.

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2. Piping

- a. Gravity Service Lines - Gravity service lines between the septic tank and the public sewer shall be Schedule 40 PVC and installed per DCWWA Standards and Details.
- b. Pressurized Service Lines – Pressurized service lines shall be Schedule 80 PVC and must transition to gravity flow prior to connecting with the public sewer. Installation shall be per DCWWA Standards and Details.

D. Ownership

1. The Owner owns the septic tank, any lift station and piping to the point of connection to the public sewer.
2. Where individual lift stations are required, the property Owner owns the lift station, the electrical supply to lift station, and any backup power source that may be required by regulation or authority having jurisdiction.

E. Maintenance and Repair

1. The Owner is responsible to maintain and repair the septic tank, including the obligation to timely pump out the tank as needed from time to time. The Owner is also responsible to maintain and repair any lift station, electrical or back up electrical supply system associated with the treating and discharge of sanitary waste to the public sewers.
2. The Owner shall maintain the septic tank structure and access holes in good repair and accessibility.
3. For the purpose of protecting its down-stream infrastructure, DCWWA will monitor the levels of liquid and sludge within the Owner’s septic tank and notify the Owner to clean the septic tank as necessary to assure proper septic tank operation and subsurface disposal field operation.
4. When DCWWA determines that the Owner’s septic tank needs cleaning, the Owner will be notified in writing. Owner is responsible for providing DCWWA proof of cleaning by a reputable firm having a minimum of 3 years of experience cleaning septic tanks in Dutchess County, NY
5. Failure of Owner to provide proof of septic tank cleaning within 30 days of notification by DCWWA will result in DCWWA having the tank cleaned with the cost of the cleaning plus a 10% administration cost charged to the Owner.