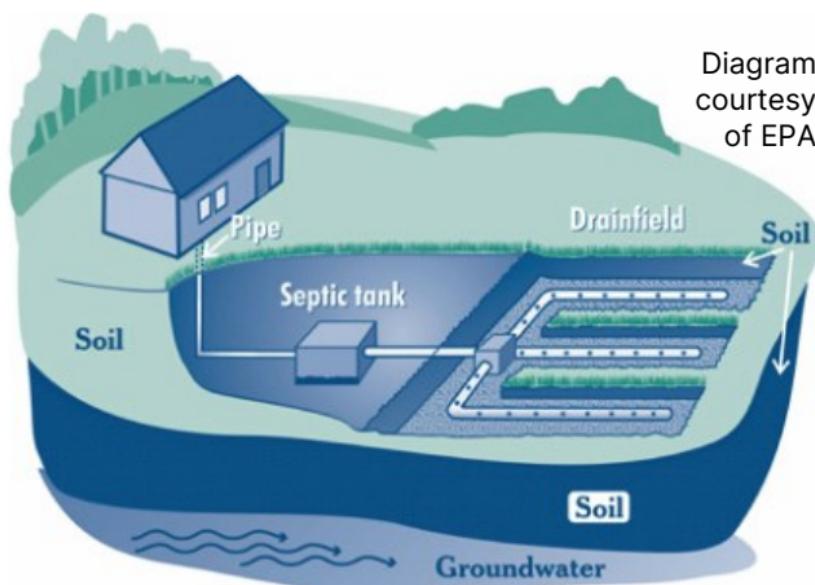


Don't Neglect Your Septic System

Poorly maintained systems can fail prematurely causing:

- Unsanitary backups, foul odors and a soggy drainfield on your property.
- Pollution of nearby lakes, ponds and streams leading to algal blooms and a reduction in water clarity.
- Health hazards to people, pets and wildlife through exposure to dangerous pathogens.
- System failures which can cost thousands of dollars to repair.



A well maintained system prevents health hazards and water pollution.

Maintain & Extend the Life of Your Septic System

■ **Routinely Clean & Inspect System**

Have a septic service professional pump your tank and clean filter(s) every 3 years or sooner & inspect entire system if it's 10 years or older.

■ **Protect the Drainfield**

Keep field clear of trees & shrubs and avoid driving on it to prevent damage to system.

■ **Practice Indoor Water Conservation**

Fix leaks, install low flow fixtures, use water efficient appliances and spread out daily indoor water use to minimize stress to system.

■ **Flush Only Toilet Paper**

Don't use your commode as a trash can!

■ **Limit What Goes Down the Drain**

Don't dispose of grease, food waste, chemicals or paint down the drain and avoid using a garbage disposal. These materials can prevent the system from operating properly.



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