

## CHAPTER 824

### Site Evaluation

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Private sewer systems - see ORC 6112  
Private sewers - see OAC 4101:2-51-411  
Sewage system site inspection fees - see EHC 220.03(b&c)  
Private water systems - see EHC 410  
Approval of Health Commissioner of design and location of systems - see EHC 816.01  
Installation of systems prohibited in multiple home site allotments - see EHC 872.01

**EHC** Environmental Health Code      **ORC** Ohio Revised Code      **OAC** Ohio Administrative Code

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#### **824.01 APPLICATION FOR EVALUATION.**

The property owner or his designated agent shall make application for a sewage site evaluation for each new dwelling or dwelling remodeled sufficiently to alter the quantity of sewage.

#### **824.02 FORM AND CONTENT OF APPLICATION.**

The application shall be made in writing on a form prescribed by the Health Commissioner and shall contain all pertinent information necessary to evaluate the proposed building site for a household sewage treatment system (HSTS), including a suitable plot plan drawn to scale and submitted on paper not larger than eleven inches by seventeen inches. The following information must be indicated on the plot plan:

- (a) Scale used must be between one inch equals twenty feet and one inch equals fifty feet.
- (b) Property boundaries and easements.
- (c) North arrow.
- (d) Two foot topographic contour lines of existing ground surface and of any proposed grading and filling, referencing elevations.
- (e) Landscape features: ponds, creeks, wetlands, drainage swales, storm sewers and other buried tile, rock outcrops, oil and gas wells & easements, man-made cuts, etc.
- (f) Zoning setback lines (front, side, & rear).
- (g) Outline of proposed home and any other structures: garage, shed, driveway, pool, patio, deck, barn, paved areas, abandoned wells, fuel tanks, etc.
- (h) Proposed location of private water system or municipal service line.
- (i) Proposed design and/or location of the HSTS and replacement area, if known.
- (j) Existing and proposed underground utilities (electric, gas, geothermal devices, telephone, cable, etc.)
- (k) Location of all structures, roads, water systems, and HSTSs within one-hundred feet of property boundaries.

- (l) The Health Commissioner may require additional information as is necessary to conduct a complete evaluation.

#### **824.03 SEPARATE APPLICATIONS REQUIRED.**

A separate application shall be submitted for each evaluation required.

#### **824.04 TESTS.**

The Health Commissioner may require as many tests to be conducted as are necessary to evaluate the building site at the owner's/applicant's own expense. Test excavations for the purpose of evaluating the lot for a HSTS, shall be excavated while the sanitarian is present. The test excavation(s) are to be backfilled the same day. Test excavations shall be excavated a minimum of four feet deeper than the base of the deepest proposed HSTS component. If the proposed device is a leaching bed, the test excavation must be at least ten feet below the base of the proposed leaching bed. The applicant and the applicant's excavator are responsible for having underground utilities located prior to excavation of test pits (Ohio Utilities Protection Service 1-800-362-2764.)

#### **824.05 SITE TO BE CLEARED AND PROPERTY BOUNDARIES DEFINED.**

The site shall be cleared of undergrowth or brush sufficiently to allow access to all parts of the lot. The property corners must be staked and be readily identifiable. A reinspection fee may be charged if the site has not been properly prepared prior to the site evaluation appointment.

#### **824.06 FEES.**

The site evaluation fee, plan update fee, and reinspection fees shall be as set for the in chapter 220.03 of the EHC.

#### **824.99 PENALTY.**

Whoever violates or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Environmental Health Code shall be in violation of ORC 3707.48, 3709.20, 3709.21 or 3709.22, and subject to penalties provided in ORC 3707.99 and 3709.99.

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