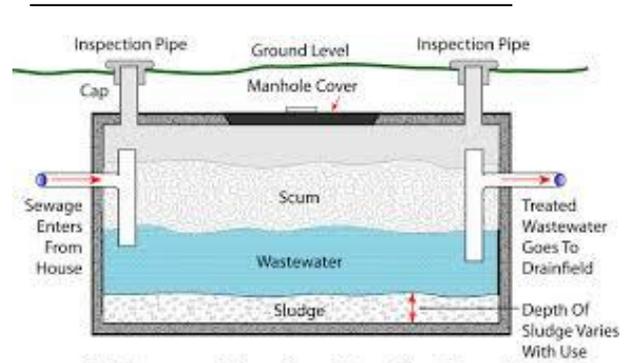


Big Muddy

SEPTIC SERVICE



Schematic of a Septic Tank

- DO** learn the location of your septic tank and drain field. Keep a sketch and detailed records on file.
- DO** add our BioTab monthly to speed digestion and ensure microbial performance
- DO** conserve water to avoid overloading the system. Try to space out activities requiring heavy water use over several days. Be sure to repair any leaky faucets or toilets
- DO** divert downspouts, surface water and other sources of water such as sump pumps away from the septic and leach field
- DO** limit the use of CAUSTIC OR ACID BASED toilet bowl and drain cleaners because they are harmful to the friendly bacteria and micro-organisms in the septic tank. Consider our eco- friendly, septic safe cleaning products like our Bio-Tab
- DO** try to do full loads of laundry and space the washing frequency throughout the week. Use only low phosphate detergent. Leaching of phosphates cause aquatic algae to bloom. The water in your leach field either evaporates or eventually merges with ground water flowing in to rivers and streams, fertilizing the algae, which is very harmful to aquatic life
- DON'T** Plant large trees at least 20 feet away from the drain and leach field to avoid any root damage. The canopy of trees can also block the sun light minimizing evaporation if placed too close to the leach field.
- DON'T** allow anyone to drive or park over any part of the septic system or drain field
- DON'T** use your toilet as a trash can. Septic tanks are designed to handle organic matter. Pouring harmful chemicals and cleaners can destroy the beneficial bacteria that treat your wastewater
- DON'T** allow backwash from home water softeners to enter the septic system
- DON'T** pour or flush cleaning agents with bleach or disinfectant down the drain. Use the new sodium based enzyme automatic dishwasher detergent. Other detergents contain high concentrations of caustic and chlorine bleach. These chemicals will kill the bacteria in the septic tank just like they do when used for cleaning topical surfaces to kill micro-organisms and bacteria.
- DON'T** put motor oil, paint, paint thinners, gasoline, pesticides or herbicides down the drain. These substances are toxic to the septic tank bacteria and micro-organisms
- DON'T** Pour cooking oil, fats, grease or coffee grounds down drain. Avoid use of the garbage disposals on kitchen scrap material. Grease and solids build up in the tank and eventually get out in to the leach field stopping the leaching ability. Bio-Tab will help digest the grease and solids but not eliminate the threat of future problems.

“When Nature Calls - We answer!”