

Plumbing Permit Inspections
Subsurface Septic Systems
Town of Vassalboro
Richard A. Dolby, CEO/LPI

To All Plumbing Permit Holders

It is your responsibility to contact me for inspections that are required by state law per the State Plumbing Code. A minimum of two (2) inspections are required.

I work on a part time basis and am available for inspections on Tuesdays and Thursday 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., and Wednesday 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.

The phone number at the Town Office is 872-2826.

1st Inspection – After Site Preparation

An inspection is mandatory to ascertain that the vegetation has been removed and the area under the disposal field and the backfill extensions roughened and a transitional layer established and the erosion and sedimentation control measures are in place. The bottom of the disposal bed should be established at the correct elevation at the time of inspection.

2nd Inspection – Prior to Covering the System

An inspection is mandatory after all system components have been installed but before backfill is placed above the disposal system components. At this point, the stone, pipes, or proprietary devices, septic tank, distribution box, and fill beneath and beside the disposal system should be installed.

Additional Inspections

If the system does not pass inspection, once corrections have been made a follow-up inspection will be required to verify compliance. If time permits I prefer to visit the site prior to issuing a permit and familiarize myself with the location and design. Prior to installing a system it is necessary to assure that proper erosion control measures have been implemented.

Weather

Work should be scheduled so that excavated areas are not exposed to rainfall or wind-blown silt. Additionally disposal fields should not be installed in frozen ground or when the ambient air temperature is below freezing, especially if construction will take place over several days.

Permit in-hand

Before any work is started, the contractor should have the signed permit in-hand.

- This is the document the contractor installs the system to, and
- This is the document that the LPI signs to verify completion of the project.

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1st Inspection – Rough-In

The first inspection is done after all plumbing is roughed-in and still visible. It is essential to complete this inspection prior to drywall installation. All the plumbing except the fixtures should be installed at this point. The testing for the water supply and drainage piping is done independently with either a water or air test. Piping can be tested in its entirety or in sections, based upon your construction needs. If you are not a plumber and not equipped to do these tests, you should hire a master plumber to do the work.

The Plumbing Code requires this testing. The plumbing is also checked for such things as proper fittings, trapping, venting, and proper pitch and support for piping.

If piping is being installed beneath a concrete slab a pressure test is required before covering it.

2nd Inspection – Final

The second inspection is done when all the fixtures are installed. I am typically just checking for leaks and things that I couldn't inspect the first time.

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