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## SEPTIC TANK INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### LOCATION

State and/or local codes typically require minimum clearances from water wells, water distribution piping and property lines. Contact your local sanitarian for specific limitations.

In addition, the area should readily accommodate the incoming and outgoing sewage lines and be free of vehicular traffic.

### EXCAVATION

Prepare a hole having a diameter approximately two feet larger than the tank, and a depth that will allow the inlet piping to slope downward toward the tank inlet and the discharge piping to slope downward away from the tank outlet. Applicable sanitary and/or plumbing codes typically govern the appropriate slope.

If unable to provide a smooth, level, compact base with existing soil, backfill with a 6" layer of sand or gravel.

### TANK PLACEMENT

Place the tank in the hole by carefully utilizing the inlet and outlet openings as lifting lugs. The *inlet* & outlet are labeled. (The outlet opening is approximately 2" lower than the inlet, Make sure the tank is level to within 3/4", edge to edge.

### PIPING

Install the piping to and from the tank. Allow the piping to extend no more than 1 1/2" inside the inlet/ outlet openings so sufficient clearance is maintained between the end of the pipes and the baffles.

Seal the area between the tank inlet/ outlet and the piping with a rubber gasket built specifically for this purpose (Ty-Seal), or with non-shrinking grout.



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BACKFILL

Fill the tank with clean water until it flows from the outlet to insure tank stability during backfilling. Carefully backfill around the tank in a manner that eliminates voids and causes minimum settling of the fill material. Cover tank to slightly above grade level.

NOTE:

Septic tank discharge normally flows to a lagoon or drain field. See state and local regulations for details. Inlet and outlet piping shall be schedule 40 and extend a minimum of 3' onto undisturbed soil.