

Subdivisions

Q: I am subdividing my property. There is a condition on the subdivision conditional approval letter that I contact you regarding my sewage ejector system, what do you need?

A: The Onsite Wastewater Management Systems regulation requires that the owner of land on which a sewage ejector system is located must take the sewage ejector system out of service and decommission it before the subdivision of the land on which the sewage ejector system is located. However, if the parcel of land, and the resulting parcel where the sewage ejector system will be located, is more than 4 hectares (10 acres) in area and at least 120 metres (400 feet) wide, you may be granted a Certificate of Exemption to allow you to keep the sewage ejector system. For more information on applying for a Certificate of Exemption to retain a sewage ejector system, contact your local environment officer.

Q: I'm subdividing land with an onsite wastewater management system, what do I need to be aware of?

A: If the existing system consists of a septic field, the following conditions must be met:

- The parcel of land where the septic field will be located must be a minimum of 0.8 hectares (2 acres) and have a width of at least 60 metres (198 feet),
- Any new property boundary must be a minimum of 8 metres (26 feet) from the edge of the septic field, and
- The septic field must remain on the same parcel of land on which the dwelling it serves is located.

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