

# Steinbrecher COMPANIES, INC.

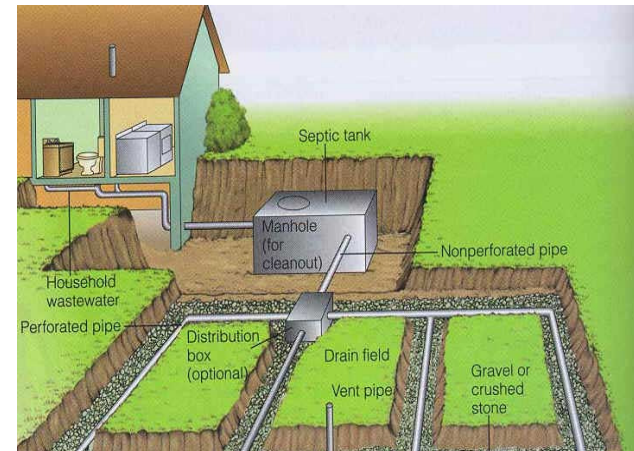
## Here is a list of ALL our Services.

(Need something that you don't see here? Give us a call. We can probably do it, if we can't we'll put you in touch with someone who can.)

- **Black Dirt**
- **Demolition**
- **Excavating**
  - Additions / New Construction
  - Erosion Control
  - Riding arena bases
  - Rough/ Final grade
  - Sewer and Water hook-ups
  - Soil Corrections
  - Water drinkers
  - Water hydrants
  - Water lines
- **Landscaping**
  - Lot Clearing
  - Retaining walls
  - Rough/ Final grade
- **Roll-offs**
- **Septic Systems**
  - Compliance
  - Design
  - Installation
  - Pumping
  - Repairs and Maintenance
- **Shoreline Dredging**
- **Shoreline Restoration**

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## Septic Systems

### Keep your septic system working economically.

Almost all individual household sewage treatment systems have a tank to settle solids. The tank will break down most solids, but it will need to be pumped every 2 or 3 years to keep working. (Call Steinbrecher Companies, we can put you on our mailing list, and we will send you a notice as this need approaches.)

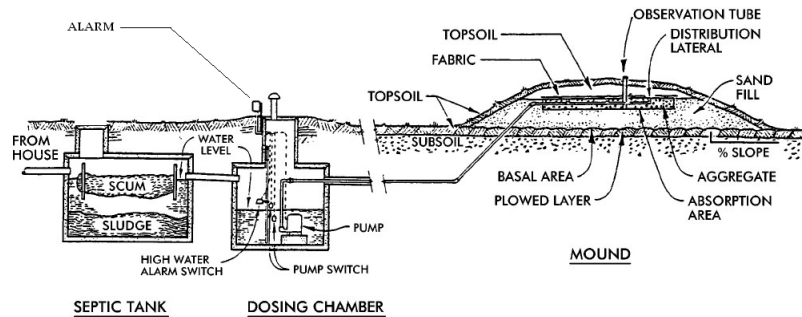
Your water use patterns will determine the frequency of pumping. Avoid putting anti bacterial soaps, solvents, paints or chemicals into the system. Do not flush or rinse solids into your system. All of these items either clog the system or make it harder for the natural bacteria in your system to break down the waste.

You may have either a **Gravity System** (waste flows downhill to the tank and waste water flows into the drain field) or a **Pressure System** (waste waters are pumped evenly over a bed or drain field. Details on using and maintaining both systems are on the next page.)

## Gravity System

The illustration on the preceding page shows a typical gravity system. It is a simple system where wastes flow through a septic tank to the drain field. The septic tank allows solids to settle, and a baffle on either end keeps floating materials in the tank. The drain field is a bacterial soil treatment area where waste waters are eaten by microbes.

## Pressure systems



A problem with yard elevation, mottled soil, or water table is overcome with pressure distribution. Pressure systems use a pump to distribute waste waters onto the soil treatment area, which can be an in ground bed, or an elevated mound. These systems can be identified by the presence of a pump alarm. The alarm will have both a light and a horn. Test the alarm to recognize the sound. Since most households systems move hundreds of gallons of wastes each day, a system blockage or pump failure can result in a waste backup within just hours. When the alarm sounds, call Steinbrecher Companies to have the problem fixed correctly. We will fix the problem, adjust the pump to suit your water use patterns, and advise you on how to avoid problems in the future.

## Tips for long, trouble free septic use

- Pump your tank at regular intervals.
- Follow recommended maintenance procedures.
- Avoid traffic larger than a lawnmower on your drain field. (Compacting the soil will harm its waste removal effect.)
- Avoid plantings other than grass or ground covers on the drain field. Roots will clog the pipes quickly.
- Do not put solids into the waste stream. Avoid chemicals, solvents and antibacterial agents.
- A lint filter on your washing machine outlet will help avoid clogging.
- When the alarm sounds, reduce water use and call Steinbrecher Companies quickly.

Place this sticker near or on your alarm. Feel free to contact us any time of day for service.

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