



Sanilac County Health Department's Sewer Connection/Tank Abandonment Instructions For the Worth Township Sewer Connection Project

Below is the Sanilac County Environmental Health Division's (SCEHD) instructions for septic tank pump out and abandonment. SCEHD requires verification that the onsite wastewater systems within the Worth Township Sewer Connection Project are properly directed to the new Municipal Sewer and the Onsite Septic Tanks are properly abandoned and made safe.

The Building Department and Worth Township may have additional forms and requirements. Please contact them directly.

STEP ONE: Applications

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I.	<p>Obtain a <u>Sewer Connection Permit</u> from Worth Twp. Forms are available by visiting the Worth Township Hall at:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Worth Township Hall 6903 S. Lakeshore Rd. Lexington, MI 48450</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Phone Number: (810) 359-8852 Fax: (810) 359-7027</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II.	<p>Obtain an <u>Endorsement to Proceed</u> from the Sanilac County Health Department. Endorsements to Proceed can be applied for by submitting an <u>Application for a Septic Tank Abandonment Verification</u>. Applications are available on the internet at: https://www.sanilachealth.com/ (do not use Firefox web browser)</p> <p>OR by visiting:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Sanilac County Health Department Environmental Health Division 171 Dawson Street Ste 123 Sandusky, MI 48471</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Phone Number: (810) 648-4098 Ext. 124 Fax: (810) 648-2646</p> <p>There will be a fee of \$50.00 per Abandonment Application. One application per Property Address. Landowners with multiple Property's must submit multiple applications. Payments can be made by visiting our office, Mail, or Online through our website. Once the Application and Payment are received, you will receive a copy of the application with the Local Health Departments Endorsement to Proceed.</p> <p><u>Owners/contractors must print out from our website or obtain from our office a Contractors Affidavit form.</u> This form is REQUIRED to be submitted later for the evaluation of Approval. Other forms available include a list of registered septage haulers, a list of registered septic contractors, tips for locating your septic system, a list of possible financial assistance resources, and other informational documents.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
III.	<p>Once you have received both the Sewer Connection Permit and the Health Department Endorsement to Proceed, you must obtain a <u>Plumbing Permit</u> from the Sanilac County Construction and Land use department. Applications are available on the internet at: https://www.sanilacounty.net/PublicPages/Entity.aspx?ID=195</p> <p>OR by visiting:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Sanilac County Court House Construction and Land Use Department 60 West Sanilac, Room 210 Sandusky, MI 48471</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Phone Number: (810) 648-4664 Fax: (810) 648-5110</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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STEP TWO: Connection/Abandonment Verification

Submit to this department a copy of the following for each property location:

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A.	Contractors Affidavit filled out and signed by the contractor	<input type="checkbox"/>
B.	Approved Plumbing Inspection report from the Building Department	<input type="checkbox"/>
C.	Receipt from a Registered Septage Hauler as proof that the septic tank was properly pumped out. Contractors must provide separate receipts for each individual location. <i>Make sure specific site locations are identified on receipt.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Many contractors and plumbers are available to connect to the main sewer line and deconstruct your onsite septic system. A partial list of contractors and registered septic tank haulers are available for your reference.

Connection Process and Installation Verification:

- 1) **Your plumber or contractor will install your sewer line to the municipal sewer. All wastewater fixtures from your home/business will have to be plumbed to the new sewer line.**
- 2) **The existing septic tank(s) will need to be pumped out by a Licensed Registered Septage Hauler. You will need to keep your receipt and submit this to the SCEHD as part of the verification process.**
- 3) **All concrete septic tanks are to be crushed and backed filled with inert materials. Any steel septic tanks or drums must be removed and properly disposed of. Septic tanks located under buildings or slabs, are still required to be properly abandoned and may need to be filled with flowable fill. Your contractor will verify the closure of your septic tank/s and plumbing connections by filling out the Contractor Affidavit (available in office or online as previously stated).**

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Owners/Contractors found to be improperly pumping and/or disposing of septage waste **will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.** Which may include fines and potential incarceration. Furthermore, other agencies such as the Department of Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency, may consider further penalties based on department findings.