

CHAPTER 62-6
STANDARDS FOR ONSITE SEWAGE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

62-6.002 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings indicated:

(1) through (5) No change.

(6) Approved – an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system constructed and installed in compliance with the standards and requirements of this chapter and which has received a final installation approval by the Department. “Approved” installation does not imply that a system will perform satisfactorily for a specific period of time.

(7) through (13) No change.

(14) Department – the Department of Environmental Protection including authorized agents of the individual district offices and designees.

(15) through (44) No change.

(45) Private provider inspector – a person or authorized representative qualified under subsection 381.0065(8), F.S., to perform private inspection services as described in subsections 62-6.003(2) and (4), F.A.C. Such a person or authorized representative qualifies to perform an inspection that follows the regulatory requirements of the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system upon the owner’s written authorization.

(45) through (59) renumbered to (46) through (60) No change.

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62-6.003 Permits and Inspections.

(1) System Construction Permit – No portion of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system ~~can shall~~ be installed, repaired, altered, modified, abandoned or replaced until the Department issues a construction permit has been issued on Form DEP 4016, Construction Permit and Inspection, effective date x-xx-xxxx, herein adopted and incorporated by reference at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX> 08/09, ~~Construction Permit, herein incorporated by reference.~~ Copies of this document are available as provided in subsection (8) below. If building construction has commenced, the system construction permit shall be valid for an additional 90 days beyond the eighteen month expiration date. A fee ~~will shall~~ not be charged for a repair permit issued within 12 months from the date of final installation approval authorization of the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system. If a construction or repair permit for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system is transferred to another person the date of the construction or repair permit shall not be amended, but shall run from the date of original issuance prior to the transfer. Subsection 62-6.002(48), F.A.C., defines activities which are not considered a repair. Servicing or replacing with like kind mechanical or electrical parts of an approved onsite sewage treatment and disposal system; pumping of septage from a system; or making minor structural corrections to a tank, or distribution box, does not constitute a repair.

(2) System construction inspection – Before covering with earth ~~and before placing a system into service~~, a person installing or constructing any portion of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system ~~must shall~~ notify the Department or authorized private provider inspector of the completion of the construction activities and ~~must shall~~ have the system inspected by the Department or private provider inspector for compliance with the requirements of this chapter, ~~except as noted in subsection 62-6.003(3), F.A.C. for repair installations.~~ Inspections by private provider inspectors must also meet the requirements of subsection 62-6.003(4), F.A.C. Inspection results must be recorded on Form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C. Copies of this document are available as provided in subsection (8) below.

(a) If the system construction, or a part of it or other feature permitted in conjunction with the system is approved by the Department or private provider inspector, the Department or private provider inspector conducting the inspection ~~will shall~~ issue a “Construction Approval” notice to the installer by providing a copy of the construction inspection recorded on form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C., with notification of any required corrections or information needed before a final installation approval will be issued by the Department.

(b) If the system installation does not comply with the requirements of this chapter on any type of system installation, the Department or private provider inspector conducting the inspection must notify the installer. If the violation identified requires a

revision and amendment of application documents, these must be provided to and processed by the Department prior to reinspection. The installer must shall make all required corrections and notify the Department or private provider inspector conducting the inspection of the completion of the work prior to reinspection of the system. A reinspection fee will shall be charged to the installer for each additional Department inspection conducted until the final construction approval is issued by the Department.

(c) The final installation approval by the Department will shall not be granted until the Department has confirmed that all requirements of this chapter are met, including building construction and lot grading are in compliance with plans and specifications submitted with the permit application.

1. In addition, if the system was designed by an engineer, who must shall be licensed in the State of Florida, the Department shall require the design engineer or the design engineer's designee, who also must shall be a licensed engineer, to certify that the installed system complies with the approved design and installation requirements. Single family residences, except as provided for by subsections 62-6.009(7) and 62-6.027(5), F.A.C., are excluded from this requirement, however, all changes to the engineering specifications must shall be approved by the design engineer.

2. A reinspection fee must be paid by the permit applicant for each inspection of the building and site performed by the Department. If additional site visits after the construction approval inspection are necessary to establish the compliance of the building construction and lot grading, or to establish the compliance with any provision of this chapter prior to the final installation approval by the Department, a reinspection fee shall be charged to the permit applicant for each inspection of the building and site leading to the final installation approval.

3. If an operating permit is required for the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, final installation approval will shall not be granted until the operating permit application and fee have been received by the Department.

4. When the Department grants final installation approval, the Department will issue a final installation approval notice in writing to the applicant or authorized agent by providing a copy of the Department's final installation approval recorded on form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C.

(d) Where an establishment is serviced by an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, Section 381.0065(4), F.S., shall govern when occupancy of a building can be allowed. A system must not be placed into service nor a building's occupancy authorized until a final installation approval notice has been issued by the Department. "Approved" installation does not imply that a system will perform satisfactorily for a specific period of time.

(e) Systems which are required to have an annual or biennial operating permit and the structures which they serve shall be inspected by the Department at least once per year during the term of the permit to determine compliance with the terms of the operating permit.

(3) Repair construction inspections and reinspections of systems installed by a master septic tank contractor – A system repair must shall be inspected by the Department or a master septic tank contractor to determine compliance with construction permit standards prior to final covering of the system with earth. Repair construction inspections must shall comply with subsection 62-6.003(2), F.A.C., and the following:

(a) A master septic tank contractor who performed the repair may, at their option, cover a system ~~repair~~ when the following conditions are met:

1. The master septic tank contractor has requested an inspection from the Department during the normal duty day before the date and time the repair will be ready for inspection. Inspections must be scheduled during normal inspection hours and in conjunction with the inspection schedule of the Department.

2. At the date and time specified for inspection, the Department is not on site to conduct an inspection within 30 minutes of the scheduled time. If the Department is on site to conduct the inspection and the system is not ready for inspection within 30 minutes after the scheduled time, a reinspection must shall be requested. A reinspection fee will shall be charged by the Department. Contractors must shall cancel or reschedule inspections performed by the Department not later than two hours prior to the scheduled time. In such cases, ~~no~~ a reinspection fee will not shall be charged.

3. The master septic tank contractor performing the repair is physically on site and conducts the inspection.

(b) The master septic tank contractor must shall document the inspection ~~on~~ on Form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C., and email, fax or hand deliver the form to the Department by the next business normal duty day following the inspection.

(c) A master septic tank contractor must shall not cover a system repair when the Department has performed an inspection and ~~has~~ notified the contractor of violations until all violations have been corrected and inspected as specified in subparagraph 62-

6.003(3)(a)1-3., F.A.C. Any system that has been inspected by the Department and found to be in violation of construction standards of this rule, must receive a reinspection from the Department before the system may be covered. A reinspection fee ~~will~~ shall be charged for each scheduled reinspection until the final installation approval is issued.

(d) The Department will ~~shall~~ issue a “final installation approval” of the system repair based on the master septic tank contractor’s inspection.

(e) Nothing herein prevents the Department from inspecting a system inspected by a master septic tank contractor. No inspection is final until approved by the Department.

(4) System construction inspection by private provider inspector – When a system construction inspection is conducted by a private provider inspector authorized by the owner or an owner-authorized contractor, the system construction inspection must evaluate compliance with this chapter and construction permit standards. System construction inspections by a private provider inspector must comply with subsections 62-6.003(2), F.A.C., 62-6.011(2), F.A.C., and the following:

(a) Notification requirement – The owner or an owner-authorized contractor must notify the Department of the owner’s written authorization to utilize a private provider inspector using form DEP 4015A, Selection of Private Provider Inspector, effective date x-xx-xxxx, herein adopted and incorporated by reference at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>. The form must be submitted at the time of permit application or by 2 p.m. local time, two business days before the first scheduled inspection by the Department. If an owner or authorized contractor makes any changes to the listed private provider inspectors, the owner or owner-authorized contractor must update the notice submitted to the Department within one business day after the change. The change of a private provider inspector identified in the permit application does not constitute a permit amendment. A fee will be charged by the Department for review and processing of private provider inspector inspections.

(b) The private provider inspector must provide all completed inspection forms and reports to the owner or authorized contractor in addition to the notice to the installer provided for by paragraph 62-6.003(2)(a), F.A.C. The forms must bear the written or electronic signature of the private provider inspector. If subsequent inspections are performed by a different private provider inspector, the owner or authorized contractor must first provide the prior inspection forms to the new private provider inspector. Any inspection forms and reports by a private provider inspector qualified per paragraph 381.0065(8)(c)4, F.S. must be signed, dated and sealed by the engineer supervising that private provider inspector.

(c) When all required construction inspections are completed for an owner or authorized contractor, the private provider inspector conducting the last inspection must submit to the Department for final approval completed construction inspection reports and supporting records within two business days. The documents must include at a minimum:

1. All inspection reports and forms and supporting documents completed for each and every system inspection;

2. An acknowledgment from the private provider inspector in substantially the following format: “Under penalty of law, I am a private provider inspector qualified under paragraph 381.0065(8)(c), F.S., and hereby certify I don’t have a conflict of interest, I personally inspected the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system for this permit application, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the system inspected is in conformance with the specifications and standards of Section 381.0065, F.S., rules of the Department, and the applicable permit requirements” and;

3. The required documentation for final installation approval from the Department, which must include as applicable all operating permit applications and fees, a copy of the signed maintenance agreement for systems that require them, certification by the design engineer as required by subparagraph 62-6.003(2)(c)1., F.A.C., and paragraphs 62-6.009(7)(a) and 62-6.027(5)(a), F.A.C., notices in the property records or pumpout receipts.

(d) The Department will issue a “final installation approval” of the system based on the private provider inspector report, forms and supporting records submitted to the Department. Upon receipt of the completed inspection reports, forms and supporting records, the Department will review them and verify compliance with the permit and applicable requirements before a final installation approval will be granted. Final installation approval will not be issued if the information documented shows non-compliance or is insufficient to document compliance with permit requirements, such as if the system location deviates from approved site plan, setback distances or tank sizes are shown in non-compliance, or the operating permit application is missing.

(e) Conflict of interest. The private provider inspector must not have a conflict of professional or personal interests in conducting the inspection, which would prevent them from performing the inspection in an unbiased, ethical manner. In particular:

1. An inspection of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system may not be conducted by the private provider inspector or authorized representative of the private provider inspector that installed the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.

2. A private provider inspector must not inspect a system when they are under the supervision and control of the contractor that installed the system as defined by paragraph 62-6.019(3)(a), F.A.C.

3. Private provider inspectors who are Master Septic Tank contractors qualified per subparagraph 381.0065(8)(c)2., F.S., must not serve as private provider inspectors for systems installed by them, or the business they authorize, are employed by or work for except as authorized per subsection 62-6.003(3), F.A.C., for repair construction inspections.

4. Private provider inspectors who are public officers must comply with Section 112.313, F.S.

(f) Private Provider Inspector Audit Process. The Department will annually audit up to 25% of the private provider inspectors who performed inspections.

(g) Complaints and Enforcement. When performing private inspection services, a private provider inspector is subject to the disciplinary guidelines of the applicable profession with jurisdiction over his or her license or certification under Chapter 381, Chapter 471 or Chapter 489, F.S. Any complaint processing, additional investigation, and discipline that arise out of a private provider inspector's performance of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system inspection services shall be conducted by the applicable professional board with notification to the Department.

~~(5)~~(4) Voiding a permit – After an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system has received final installation approval from the Department, if the building is modified in such a way that a larger system would be required, if any portion of the required drainfield unobstructed area is covered by impervious material, if the property is subdivided into a smaller lot or lots whereby the permitted system would not have been originally approved, if a well is installed on the property which violates the setbacks to the approved system, or if the system is improperly modified or damaged, the Department must shall undertake administrative action to revoke the permit. The Department must shall prohibit the further or continued use of a system when the permit has become void by injunction or other procedure authorized by law.

~~(6)~~(5) Operating permits – No business or facility can shall occupy a building served by an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system if the building is located in an area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes or its equivalent; or where a business will generate commercial sewage waste; and no structure shall be occupied where an aerobic treatment unit or performance-based treatment system is used, until an “Application for Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal System Operating Permit” has been received and approved by the Department. Form DEP 4081, 10/96 “Application for Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal System Operating Permit,” is herein incorporated by reference.

(a) Property owners or their authorized agents are required to obtain an annual operating permit for systems located in an area zoned or used for industrial or manufacturing purposes or its equivalent or where a business will generate commercial sewage waste. The permit must shall designate the person or entity responsible for the operation and maintenance of the system; the type of activity proposed on the site; persons or businesses which will use the system; equipment and types and quantities of chemical compounds which will be used by the building occupants which are likely to be discharged into the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system. At a minimum, the owner or person responsible for maintenance of the system must shall test, or cause to be tested, the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system effluent in a qualitative and quantitative manner for any chemical compounds associated with the particular industrial or manufacturing operations conducted in that establishment, as directed by the Department. The frequency of testing must shall be specified on the annual operating permit.

(b) Operating permits are not transferable. If the owner of the system remains the same but the tenancy of the building changes, a Business Survey, Form DEP 4081A, 10/96, herein incorporated by reference, must be completed and submitted to the Department for review. Changes in building occupancy must shall be reviewed per Section 381.0065(4), F.S.

(c) Maintenance entities contracting to service aerobic treatment systems and performance-based treatment systems must shall obtain a biennial operating permit from the Department for the system. Persons operating an aerobic treatment unit or performance-based treatment system must shall permit Department personnel right of entry to the property during normal working hours to allow for effluent sampling or evaluating the general state of repair or function of the system. Persons required to obtain an annual operating permit for an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system in an industrial or manufacturing zone or its equivalent, or where the system receives commercial sewage, must shall not be required to obtain another operating permit for an aerobic treatment unit or performance-based treatment system at that site. Performance-based treatment systems that also include an aerobic treatment unit require only one biennial operating permit for the system.

(d) Systems which are required to have an annual or biennial operating permit and the structures which they serve must be inspected by the Department at least once per year during the term of the permit to determine compliance with the terms of the operating permit.

(6) through (7) renumbered (7) through (8) No Change.

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62-6.027 Permits.

(1) Innovative System Permit – An application for system construction permit for an innovative system cannot be reviewed until the innovative system permit has been approved specifying the number of systems and time limits. The Department’s decision to grant or deny the innovative system permit ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ be based on the presence or absence of compelling evidence that the innovative systems will function properly and reliably to meet the requirements of this chapter and Section 381.0065, F.S.

(2) System Construction Permit – No portion of a performance-based treatment system ~~can~~ ~~shall~~ be installed, repaired, altered, modified, abandoned or replaced until a construction permit has been issued on Form DEP 4016. If building construction has commenced, the system construction permit ~~is~~ ~~shall~~ be valid for an additional 90 days beyond the eighteen month expiration date. A fee ~~will~~ ~~shall~~ be charged for a repair permit issued within 12 months from the date of final authorization of the performance-based treatment system. If a construction or repair permit for a performance-based treatment system is transferred to another person, the date of the construction or repair permit ~~will~~ ~~shall~~ not be amended, but ~~will~~ ~~shall~~ run from the date of original issuance prior to the transfer. Servicing or replacing with like kind mechanical or electrical parts of a performance-based treatment system; pumping of septage from a system; or ~~other activity exempted by subsection 62-6.002(48), F.A.C., making minor structural corrections to a tank, or distribution box,~~ does not constitute a repair, however, all services must be performed by the performance system maintenance entity. Any proposed change from the original design, including increasing or decreasing changes in flow rate, ~~will~~ ~~shall~~ require that the system be re-engineered to achieve the desired performance standard under the altered conditions.

(3) Within 15 working days after the Department receives a completed application for a performance-based treatment system, the Department must either issue a permit for the system or ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ notify the applicant that the system does not comply with the performance criteria, and refer the application to the Onsite Sewage Program, who ~~will~~ ~~shall~~ review the application for a determination whether the system should be approved, disapproved, or approved with modifications. The determination of the engineer for the Onsite Sewage Program ~~shall~~ ~~prevails~~ over the action of the local county health department. All applications for a construction permit for an innovative system ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ be reviewed for completeness by the Department and referred to the Onsite Sewage Program for review and approval, disapproval or approval with modifications.

(4) The applicant ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ be notified of the Department’s determination. If the permit is denied, the applicant ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ be notified of their right to pursue a variance or seek review under the provisions of Chapter 120, F.S.

(5) System construction inspection – Before covering with earth ~~and before placing the performance based treatment system into service,~~ a person installing or constructing any portion of the performance-based treatment system ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ notify the Department ~~or authorized private provider inspector~~ of the completion of the construction activities and ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ have the system inspected by the Department ~~or private provider inspector~~ for compliance with the requirements of this chapter. Inspections by private provider inspectors must also meet the requirements of subsection 62-6.003(4), F.A.C. and 62-6.011(2), F.A.C. Inspection results must be recorded on Form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C. Copies of this document are available as provided in subsection (7) below.

(a) Prior to or concurrent with an final installation inspection by the Department ~~or private provider inspector,~~ the professional engineer who designed the system, or the design engineer’s designee, ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ observe the entire installation and the engineer must shall certify in writing that the installed system complies with the approved design and installation requirements. This certification ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ read as follows: “I certify that the engineering features of this performance-based treatment system have been examined by me and found to substantially comply with all specifications contained in the engineering design that was the basis for issuance of the construction permit. I certify that the operation and maintenance manual for this performance-based treatment system has been prepared or examined by me or by an individual(s) under my direct supervision and that there is reasonable assurance, in my professional judgment, that the system, when properly operated and maintained in accordance with this manual, will achieve the established performance standard and comply with all applicable statutory requirements and rules of the Department.” A drawing to depict the installation as built must be provided by the engineer to the Department prior to final installation approval.

(b) If the system construction or a part of it or other feature permitted in conjunction with the system is approved ~~after an~~ ~~inspection~~ by the Department ~~or private provider inspector,~~ the Department ~~or private provider inspector~~ conducting the inspection ~~will~~ ~~shall~~ issue a “Construction Approval” notice to the installer by providing a copy of the construction inspection reported on form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C., with notification of any required corrections or information needed before a final installation approval will be issued by the Department. A drawing to depict the installation as built shall be provided to the Department prior to final system approval.

(c) If the system ~~installation does is found to~~ not comply with the ~~requirements of this chapter construction permit during the construction inspection~~ on any type of system installation, the Department ~~or private provider inspector conducting the inspection~~ ~~must shall~~ notify the engineer and installer. If the violation identified requires a revision and amendment of application documents, ~~these must be provided to and processed by the Department prior to reinspection.~~ The installer ~~must shall~~ make all required corrections and notify the Department ~~or private provider inspector conducting the inspection~~ of the completion of the work prior to reinspection of the system. A reinspection fee ~~will shall~~ be charged for each additional Department inspection ~~conducted until the final construction approval is issued by the Department, leading up to construction approval.~~

(d) ~~The f~~Final installation approval by the Department ~~will shall~~ not be granted until the Department has confirmed that all requirements of this chapter ~~are met~~, including building construction and lot grading are in compliance with plans and specifications provided with the permit application, the system maintenance entity has been identified to the Department, and the property owner has executed and recorded in the public property records at the county courthouse, a written notice that informs all subsequent property owners of the use of the performance-based treatment system, and of the requirement for the system to be maintained, in perpetuity, in compliance with all lawful requirements. ~~“Approved” installation does not imply that a system will perform satisfactorily for a specific period of time.~~

1. ~~A reinspection fee must be paid by the permit applicant for each inspection of the building and site performed by the Department after the construction approval inspection to establish the compliance of the building construction and lot grading, or to establish the compliance with any provision of this chapter prior to final installation approval by the Department.~~

2. ~~Final installation approval shall not be granted until the operating permit application and fee have been received by the Department.~~

3. ~~When the Department grants final installation approval, the Department will issue a final installation approval notice in writing to the applicant or authorized agent by copy of the Department’s final installation approval recorded on form DEP 4016, effective xx-xx-xxxx, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-6.003(1), F.A.C.~~

4. ~~Where an establishment is serviced by an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system, subsection 381.0065(4), F.S., governs when occupancy of a building can be allowed. A system must not be placed into service nor a building’s occupancy authorized until a final installation approval notice has been issued by the Department.~~

(6) Operating permits – No residence or establishment served by a performance-based treatment system ~~must shall~~ be occupied until Form DEP 4081, “Application for Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal System Operating Permit” has been received and approved by the Department. Where a performance-based treatment system is used, only one operating permit ~~must shall~~ be required for the system.

(a) Maintenance entities contracting to service performance-based treatment systems ~~must shall~~ obtain a biennial operating permit from the Department for the system. Persons operating a performance-based treatment system ~~must shall~~ permit Department personnel right of entry to the property during normal working hours to allow for effluent sampling or evaluating the general state of repair or function of the system.

(b) The permit ~~must shall~~ designate the performance system maintenance entity responsible for the operation and maintenance of the system. At a minimum, the performance system maintenance entity responsible for maintenance of the system ~~must shall~~ test, or cause to be tested, the performance-based treatment system in accordance with Part IV of this rule. The frequency of testing shall be specified on the biennial operating permit. The operating permit ~~must shall~~ also specify the observation interval to assess the operation of the system without taking monitoring samples.

(c) Systems and the structures which they serve ~~must shall~~ be inspected by the Department at least once annually during the term of the biennial operating permit to determine compliance with the terms of the operating permit.

(d) A copy of the signed maintenance agreement between the property owner or property lessee and an engineer-designed performance-based system maintenance entity ~~must shall~~ be provided to the Department by the maintenance entity. The maintenance agreement ~~must shall~~:

1. Initially be for a period of at least 2 years and subsequent maintenance agreement renewals ~~must shall~~ be for at least 1 year periods for the life of the system.

2. Provide that a maintenance entity which desires to discontinue the provision of maintenance services, notify in writing, the property owners and lessees and the Department at least 60 days prior to discontinuance of service.

3. Provide that, if a private maintenance entity discontinues business, property owners who have previously contracted with the discontinued maintenance service ~~must shall~~, within 60 days of the service termination date, contract with an approved maintenance

service and provide the Department a copy of the newly signed maintenance agreement.

4. Provide that each performance-based treatment system is inspected by an engineer-designed performance-based system maintenance entity at least two times each year. The maintenance entity ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ furnish to the Department a listing of all performance-based treatment systems inspected or serviced during the respective reporting period. As a minimum, reports ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ indicate the system owner or building lessee, the street address of the system, the date of system inspection or service and a statement as to the maintenance or service performed. The maintenance entity ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ also include a list of the owners who have refused to renew their maintenance agreement.

(e) No performance-based treatment system ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ be serviced or repaired by a person or entity engaged in a performance-based treatment system maintenance service until the service entity has obtained an annual written permit issued on Form DEP 4013 from the Department in the county where the service company is located. Each service entity ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ employ at least one plumbing contractor licensed under Section 489.105(3)(m), F.S., septic tank contractor registered under Part III of Chapter 489, F.S., or a state-licensed wastewater treatment plant operator, who is responsible for maintenance and repair of all systems under contract. Application for a Maintenance Service Permit, Form DEP 4066, ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ be made to the Department and ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ contain the following information:

1. Evidence that the maintenance entity possesses a manufacturer’s maintenance and operations manual and has received training from the manufacturer in proper installation and service of the performance-based treatment system components and has received written approval from the components’ manufacturers to perform service on their components. The manual ~~must~~ ~~shall~~ contain detailed instructions on proper operation and maintenance procedures, a replacement parts list for all components being installed and maintained, a statement giving the capabilities of each system, instructions on how to detect a malfunctioning system and what to expect from a properly functioning system.

2. A signed statement from the applicant attesting that the applicant has adequate staff, possesses proper equipment and has sufficient spare structural and mechanical parts and components to perform routine system monitoring and servicing and is able to make a service response within 36 hours after notification of the need for emergency repairs.

3. Payment of \$25.00 to the Department per annum for the performance-based treatment system maintenance service permit.

(7) No Change.

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62-6.030 Fees.

(1) The following fees are required for services provided by the Department.

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| (a) Application and plan review for construction permit for new system. | \$100.00 |
| (b) Application and approval for existing system, if system inspection by the Department is not required; or review and processing private provider inspector inspections for a system. | \$35.00 |
| (c) Application and Existing System Evaluation. | \$50.00 |
| (d) Application for permitting of a new performance-based treatment system. | \$125.00 |
| (e) Site evaluation. | \$115.00 |
| (f) Site re-evaluation. | \$50.00 |
| (g) Permit or permit amendment for new system, modification or repair to system. | \$55.00 |
| (h) Research/Training surcharge, new and repair permits. | \$5.00 |
| (i) Initial system inspection. | \$75.00 |
| (j) System reinspection (stabilization, non-compliance or other inspection after the initial inspection). | \$50.00 |
| (k) Application for system abandonment permit, includes permit issuance and inspection. | \$50.00 |
| (l) Annual operating permit industrial/manufacturing zoning or commercial sewage waste. | \$150.00 |
| (m) Biennial operating permit for aerobic treatment unit or performance-based treatment system. | \$100.00 |
| (n) Amendment to operating permit. | \$50.00 |
| (o) Tank Manufacturer’s Inspection per annum. | \$100.00 |
| (p) Septage Disposal Service permit per annum. | \$75.00 |
| (q) Portable or Temporary Toilet Service permit per annum. | \$75.00 |

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| (r) Additional charge per pumpout vehicle, septage disposal service or portable toilet service. | \$35.00 |
| (s) Septage stabilization facility inspection fee per annum per facility. | \$150.00 |
| (t) Septage disposal site evaluation fee per annum. | \$200.00 |
| (u) Aerobic treatment unit maintenance entity permit per annum. | \$25.00 |
| (v) Variance Application for a single family residence per each lot or building site. | \$200.00 |
| (w) Variance Application for a multi-family or commercial building per each building site. | \$300.00 |
| (x) Application for innovative product approval. | \$2,500.00 |

(2) The following fees are required to accompany applications for registration of individuals for septic tank contractor or master septic tank contractor or for a certificate of authorization for partnerships and corporations.

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| (a) Application for registration including examination. | \$75.00 |
| (b) Initial registration. | \$100.00 |
| (c) Renewal of registration. | \$100.00 |
| (d) Certificate of authorization each two-year period. | \$250.00 |

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