



Town of Halifax  
Board of Health  
Supplementary Rules and Regulations to the  
State Environmental Code: Title V,  
310 CMR 15.00

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# TOWN OF HALIFAX

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### Supplementary Rules and Regulations to the State Environmental Code: Title 5, 310 CMR 15,000

**“Standard Requirements for the siting, construction, inspection, upgrade and expansion of on-site sewage treatment and disposal systems.”**

#### **1.04 System Failure Criteria**

- (1) Purpose: To avoid contamination of ground and surface water by substandard onsite sewage disposal systems. Substandard systems present a serious threat to drinking water thus negatively affecting the public health. This contamination also poses a threat to designated wetlands affecting the environment and public health.
- (2) Cesspools
  - (a) Septic systems consisting of one cesspool shall be upgraded to conform to 310 CMR 15.00, the State Environmental Code, Title 5, Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary sewage, and the Town of Halifax requirements.
  - (b) Cesspools with an overflow system within 50 feet of the Monponsett Ponds shall be upgraded to conform to 310 CMR 15.00, State Environmental Code, Title 5, Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary sewage, and the Town of Halifax requirements.
  - (c) Cesspools with an overflow system within 50 feet of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands shall be upgraded to conform to 310 CMR 15.00, State Environmental Code, Title 5, Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary sewage, and the Town of Halifax requirements
  - (d) All other Cesspools with overflows or leaching pits require further evaluation by the Board of Health.
  - (e) This section shall apply to any septic system inspection conducted in accordance with 310 CMR 15.301 of the State Environmental Code, Title 5. This regulation shall also be strictly enforced during the building permit application process.