

# HOLDING TANK SERVICING CONTRACT

Contract Date
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Permit Number
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*This contract is made between the*

Holding Tank Owner(s) Name(s)	<i>and</i>	Pumper's Name
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<p>We Acknowledge the installation of (a) holding tank(s) on the following property:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Site Address: _____</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Parcel ID Number: _____</p>
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Holding tanks are used when soil depth requirements for conventional and mound septic systems are not available or there is insufficient area to install those types of systems. Holding tanks are expensive to operate due to pumping frequency and pumping costs. Although the initial cost of installation may be low compared to other private septic systems, maintenance and pumping costs may make the use of holding tanks prohibitive. Proper installation and routine pumping is critical for minimizing impacts on groundwater. Pollutants from septic systems include nitrates, bacteria, viruses, and hazardous materials from household products.

**ALARM:** The alarm for the holding tank is an audible and/or visual alarm posted in a conspicuous location in the building served or on a post near the tank protected from the weather. The alarm is connected to a float in the holding tank to activate when the tank(s) is/are around 90% full. When the alarm sounds or illuminates, you must immediately call the pumper you have contracted with to pump your holding tank. Failure to pump the tank could result in overflowing of harmful sewage or backup of raw sewage into your house. Annually, you should press the check alarm button to make sure the alarm is working. If it is not functioning, you should call a septic installer to attend to the alarm or replace it.

**LOCKS:** Your tank must be locked at all times. Gases within the tank are deadly if breathed. NEVER enter a tank used for sewage.

**INTEGRITY:** If you are pumping more frequently than you think you should, consult a septic installer as the tank may have cracked and groundwater may be entering the tank. You may also have leaky faucets or toilets that are contributing to the problem.

**SERVICING:** The owner is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the tank, locking device, alarm, and access, as follows:

1. I agree to file a copy of this contract with Sheboygan County.
2. I agree to have the holding tank(s) serviced by the pumper and guarantees to permit the pumper to have access and to enter upon the property for the purpose of servicing the holding tank(s).
3. I agree to maintain the access road or drive so that the pumper can service the holding tank(s) with the pumping equipment.
4. I agree to pay the pumper for all charges incurred in servicing the holding tank(s) as mutually agreed upon with the pumper.

5. The pumper agrees to submit a report for the servicing of the holding tank(s) to Sheboygan County within 30 calendar days of each service event. The pumper further agrees to include the following:
  - a. The name of the person or firm responsible for servicing the holding tank;
  - b. The name of the owner of the holding tank;
  - c. The sanitary permit number issued for the holding tank;
  - d. The date(s) on which the holding tank was serviced;
  - e. The volumes in gallons of the contents pumped from the holding tank for each servicing;
  - f. The disposal sites to which the contents from the holding tank were delivered.
  
6. The owner acknowledges they are ultimately responsible for submission of the required reports to the County.

This agreement will remain in effect until I, as owner of the holding tank, or the pumper terminates this contract. In the event of a change in this contract, I agree to file a copy of any changes to this service contract or a copy of a new service contract with Sheboygan County within ten (10) business days from the date of change to this service contract.

Owner(s) Name(s) (PRINT)	Subscribed and sworn to me on this date:  _____ Today's Date
<b>NOTARIZED</b> Owner(s) Signature(s)	_____ Notary Public Signature
	_____ Commission Expiration

Pumper's Name (PRINT)	Pumper's Signature	Pumper's Registration Number