

Lycoming Sanitary Committee

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570-368-8715 (F)

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed is your application for a sewage permit. Please follow the instructions below. If a question arises please contact this office prior to doing anything in order to facilitate prompt evaluation and processing.

Instructions to applicants

- A. **In the gray area designating Part I, "Applicant and Site Information", please write your 4 parcel number.** Then complete ONLY part I "Applicant and Site Information". (Type or print clearly. Press HARD – you are making 4 copies).
- B. Be sure to sign the application at the bottom of the page.
- C. Please call 1-800-242-1776, the Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc., and provide on this application in the highlighted section the serial number they give you, in order to prevent accidental damage to underground utility lines. The DEP requires that we have a serial number before our inspectors perform any testing.
- D. Please indicate if your property is to be subdivided, or is part of a previous subdivision. The property is considered to be a subdivision if it is being taken from a larger tract of land after May 15, 1972 without perc testing being performed.
- E. Please return the application form (**all four copies**) with \$150.00 (check payable to "Lyc. San. Comm."). This is the processing fee for a single family residence (i.e. apartment complex, duplex, mobile home park, etc.) Also see page three of this letter, "Fee Schedule Outline:."
- F. Once you have forwarded the application to us, please have your contractor or backhoe operator call our office to set up an appointment for the deep test pit.

Preparation of the deep test pit and percolation holes are the responsibility of the applicant. The test pits and percolation holes must be back-filled within five (5) days after completion of the testing.

1. **Deep Test Pit** – A single pit, 8 feet in depth, must be dug **in the area** (along the elevation plane) **that the proposed system would be located.** The pit need only be wide enough for a man to enter comfortably. A ladder or step arrangement at one end of the pit is necessary for easy access.
2. **Percolation Holes** – are the second step of testing and are dug **after** the test pit evaluation.
 - a. Dig six holes **in the area of the location of the propose disposal area.** The holes shall be **six to ten inches in diameter**, and the depth will depend on the limiting zone determined by the test pit. You will be informed by this office as to how deep to dig the perc holes. **They should be no more than ten feet from the pit side walls and twenty feet apart.**
 - b. Scratch the sides and bottom of the perc holes with a sharp instrument and remove all loose material.
 - c. Place two inches of fine gravel in the bottom of the perc holes. At this point call the office – 570-368-3144 – to set up an appointment for the perc test. **A fee of \$75.00 must be received in the office before the percolation test is performed.**
 - d. **All holes must be properly soaked the day before the performance of the actual percolation test.** Pre-soaking required filling each hole within twelve inches of water over the gravel and allowing it to stand undisturbed overnight. Pre-soaking must be done anytime the day before the testing is to be performed. **At least 50 gallons of water should be available at the site for the actual testing. This must be in an open-top container that can be dipped out of with a 5-gallon bucket**
 - e. Clear all brush and vegetation out of the area to be tested to ground level without disturbing the soil.