



Septic System and Cesspool Abandonment Procedures

Foxborough Board of Health

When a septic system or a cesspool is abandoned in the Town of Foxborough, the septic tank(s) and/or cesspool(s) must be crushed and filled.

For systems being repaired or replaced: The abandonment is part of the disposal works permit to install the new septic system.

- The system must be pumped prior to the abandonment
- The abandoned system components should be noted on the proposed design plan to be crushed and filled

For system abandonment to tie-in to Town sewer: An Abandonment Application must be pulled by a licensed installer (\$100.00)

- The Permit will not be issued without the following:
 - Completed Application for Abandonment, signed by both Licensed Installer and Property Owner
 - \$100.00 fee has been paid
 - A copy of the sewer connection permit and trench permit has been submitted
 - Sketch of property has been submitted
- The abandonment must be witnessed by the Board of Health
 - Schedule the abandonment with the Board of Health at least 2 days in advance
 - The Board of Health must witness the crushing of the tank or cesspool and/or filling with suitable material
 - A Certificate of Compliance will be issued by the Board of Health after witnessing the abandonment and a copy of the pump slip from the septic hauler is provided.

For systems serving a property that will be razed without replacement or tie-in: An Abandonment Application must be pulled by a licensed installer (\$100.00)

- The Permit will not be issued without the following:
 - Completed Application for Abandonment, signed by both Licensed Installer and Property Owner
 - \$100.00 fee has been paid
 - Sketch of property has been provided
- The abandonment must be witnessed by the Board of Health
 - Schedule the Abandonment with the Board of Health at least 2 days in advance
 - The Board of Health must witness the crushing of the tank or cesspool and/or filling with suitable material.
 - A Certificate of Compliance will be issued by the Board of Health after witnessing the abandonment.