



Chelan-Douglas Health District

200 Valley Mall Parkway, East Wenatchee, WA 98802

March 24, 2023

RE: Requirements for Licensed Installers at Inspections

This is to clarify to licensed installers of onsite sewage systems that the Chelan-Douglas Health District requires installers to meet requirements of WAC 246-272A, Section 0250, Installation (below).

Not meeting these requirements will subject the installer to a re-inspection with a charge of \$180 and Health District fines of \$500:

- (a) Follow the approved design;
- (b) Have the approved design in possession during installation;
- (c) Make no changes to the approved design without the prior authorization of the designer and the local health officer (the inspector working on the permit/project);
- (d) Only install septic tanks, pump chambers, and holding tanks approved by the department (Chelan-Douglas Health District);
- (e) Be on the site at all times during the excavation and construction of the onsite septic system;
- (f) Install the onsite septic system to be watertight, except for the soil dispersal component;
- (g) Cover the installation only after the local health officer (inspector) has given approval to cover; and
- (h) Back fill with six to twenty-four inches of cover material and grade the site to prevent surface water from accumulating over any component of the system.



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In addition to the above, this is a reminder that the Health District requires a record drawing (as-built) meeting the requirements of WAC 246-272A, to be available to the Health District during the final construction inspection of permitted onsite septic system installations.

Please provide to the Health District a satisfactory as-built prepared by the system installer or the system designer of record **at the time of final inspection**.

Note- this includes installations that may have incomplete electrical systems: submit as-built at time of inspection, and follow up as indicated by the Health District on reporting of completion of any electrical requirements.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Eastman".

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