



Checklist for optimal septic system health

Regular Maintenance

- ☐ Have system inspected every 1–3 years
- ☐ Pump septic tank every 3–5 years (or as needed)
- ☐ Keep detailed maintenance records
- ☐ Fix leaky faucets and toilets

What NOT to Flush or Drain

- ☐ Only flush toilet paper and human waste
- ☐ Never flush wipes, feminine products, diapers, grease, or meds
- ☐ Use septic-safe cleaning products

Protect Your Drainfield

- ☐ Don't drive or park on drainfield
- ☐ Keep trees and deep-rooted plants away
- ☐ Redirect downspouts away from the area

Household Tips

- ☐ Limit use of bleach and antibacterial soaps
- ☐ Avoid chemical drain cleaners
- ☐ Use septic-safe detergent and cleaning products

Rainy Season Prep

- ☐ Monitor for soggy ground or odors
- ☐ Reduce water use during storms
- ☐ Consider monthly checks during rainy months

