

# Enviro-Septic<sup>®</sup> Wastewater Treatment System Operating Maintenance

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**Introduction** Enviro-Septic<sup>®</sup> wastewater treatment systems are virtually maintenance free. However, an awareness of system abuse and simple easy maintenance will guarantee system longevity.

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**System abuse conditions** The following conditions constitute system abuse.

- Liquid in high volume (excessive number of occupants, leaking fixtures, whirlpool tubs, hot tubs, water softening equipment or additional water discharging fixtures if not specified in system design).
- Solids in high volume (excessive number of occupants, paper products, personal hygiene products, garbage disposals or water softening equipment if not specified in system design)
- Antibiotic medicines in high concentrations
- Cleaning products in high concentrations
- Fertilizers or other caustic chemicals in any amount
- Petroleum products in any amount
- Latex and oil paints

Presby Environmental, Inc. does not recommend the use of septic system additives.

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**System maintenance** These simple procedures will guarantee system longevity.

- Inspect the septic tank at least once every two years under normal usage. Have the tank emptied when surface scum and bottom sludge occupy one-fourth or more of tank capacity.
- After pumping, inspect the septic tank for integrity to ensure that no groundwater flow is entering it. Also check the integrity of the tank inlet and outlet baffles.
- Inspect the system to ensure that vents are in place and free of obstructions.

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**Site maintenance** It is important that the system site remain free of shrubs, trees, and other woody vegetation to within a minimum of 10' feet.