

**Defiance County General Health District**

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## **Section 1 – Definitions**

Definitions reflect those set forth and identified in 3701-29-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

## **Section 2 – General Authority**

The Defiance County District Board of Health is granted authority under section 3709.21 of the Ohio Revised Code to make such orders and regulations as are necessary for the public health, the prevention or restriction of disease, and the prevention, abatement, or suppression of nuisances.

## **Section 3 – Penalties**

This regulation shall be enforced in accordance with Chapter 3709 of the Ohio Revised Code. A violation of this regulation is punishable in accordance with section 3709.99 of the Ohio Revised Code.

## **Section 4 - Registration of installers, service providers, and septage haulers**

- (A) In reference to 3701-29-03 (G) of the Ohio Administrative Code, when the registered service provider performs the duties of a service provider on only the registrant's personal residence, the service provider shall be exempt from paragraphs (C)(4), and (C)(6) of the rule. Whereas the board of health has the authority to waive (C)(1) and (C)(5) of the rule, the board of health does hereby determine that it does not waive these sections and shall require compliance with paragraphs (C)(1) and (C)(5) of the rule.
- (B) In reference to 3701-29-03 (H) of the Ohio Administrative Code, when the registered installer performs the duties of an installer on only the registrant's personal residence, the board of health may waive (C)(1), (C)(4), and (C)(6) of the rule. The board of health does hereby determine that it shall require compliance with paragraphs (C)(1), (C)(4) and (C)(6) of the rule.

## **Section 5 – Effluent quality standards**

- (A) In reference to 3701-29-14 (C) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may establish nutrient reduction standards for pretreatment components when there is a significant risk of nutrient contamination to surface or ground water, the board of health does hereby establish the standards referenced in (C)(1) and (2) of that rule.

## **Section 6 – General soil absorption standards**

- (A) In reference to 3701-29-15 (G) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may establish a vertical separation distance no less than six inches and no greater than eighteen inches, with a required minimum thickness of in situ soil within the infiltrative distance of no less than six inches, the board of health does hereby establish a vertical separation distance of six (6) inches, with a required minimum thickness of in situ soil of six (6) inches.
- (B) In reference to 3701-29-15 (H) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may establish the required minimum vertical separation distance of greater than zero inches and less than six inches, and the required minimum in situ soil thickness within the vertical separation distance of greater than zero inches and less than six inches where the seasonal water table is present and the sewage

effluent is pretreated to less than one thousand fecal coliform CFU per one hundred milliliters, the board of health shall not establish or recognize these requirements, and therefore prohibit a sewage treatment system or gray water recycling system to be permitted in these conditions, unless, pre-treatment components approved by the Sewage Treatment System Technical Advisory Committee are utilized to meet the standards of 3701-29-15 (H) of the Ohio Administrative Code.

### **Section 7 – Gray water recycling systems**

- A) In reference to 3701-29-17 (B) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may issue a permit for the design and installation of a type 1 gray water recycling system, the board of health does hereby determine that a permit shall be required for the design and installation of these systems.
- a) No person shall design or install a type 1 gray water recycling system without an approved and valid type 1 gray water recycling system permit issued by the board of health.
  - b) All terms, conditions, and procedures for site review and permitting specified in section 3701-29-09 of the Ohio Administrative Code shall be recognized and enforced.

### **Section 8 - STS operation and management, and owner education**

- (A) In reference to 3701-29-19 (E)(1) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may permit a registered service provider to collect effluent samples for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, the board of health does hereby require that the sampling described shall be collected only by the board of health to ensure accuracy and consistency with the collection protocol.

### **Section 9 - Septage and sewage management**

- (A) In reference to 3701-29-20 (A) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may adopt rules prohibiting , restricting or limiting the land application of septage within its jurisdiction, the board of health does hereby prohibit the land application of septage within its jurisdiction.

### **Section 10 - STS abandonment**

- (A) In reference to 3701-29-21(E) of the Ohio Administrative Code, whereas the board of health may require a permit for abandonment of a Sewage Treatment System and establish a permit fee in accordance with paragraph (D)(12) of rule 3701-29-05 of the Administrative Code, the board of health does hereby determine that an abandonment permit and fee shall be required.
- a) No person shall abandon a sewage treatment system without an approved and valid abandonment permit issued by the board of health.
  - b) All terms, conditions, and procedures for abandonment specified in section 3701-29-21 of the Ohio Administrative Code shall be enforced.
  - c) An approved abandonment permit issued by the board of health shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance or until the abandonment is completed and approved by the board of health within the one year period.