

Licking County Health Department Announcement regarding Septic System Maintenance:

For those property owners without public sanitary sewer, keeping a septic system properly maintained can be a low cost way to avoid expensive repairs. Maintaining septic systems in good working order also protects the environment, families and neighbors from the health concerns caused by untreated sewage.

The Licking County Health Department recommends the following activities to keep your septic system working correctly:

- **Have your septic tank or aeration treatment unit pumped every three years.**
- **Do not place any buildings, or park or drive vehicles on top of your system.**
- **Keep downspout and sump pump drains away from your system.**
- **Repair any faucet or toilet leaks to avoid adding extra water to your system.**

Have any mechanical devices such as aeration treatment unit motors or lift pumps serviced annually by a registered service provider.

The Health Department has developed factsheets related to the different types of septic systems currently in use in Licking County. The factsheets are available on the department's website at www.lickingcohealth.org.

If you have any questions about how to maintain your septic system, feel free to call the Health Department at 740-349-6535 or visit www.lickingcohealth.org.