

DYE TEST APPLICATION Fee \$175.00

WASHINGTON COUNTY SEWAGE COUNCIL
70 East Beau Street, Suite 850, Washington, PA 15301 724-223-0504

Application No. _____

Date _____

(Municipality)

APPLICANT MUST UNCOVER THE SEPTIC TANK LID PRIOR TO SEO VISIT.

Applicant: _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____

Address _____

PROPERTY OWNER _____

Location of test _____

CONTACT FOR ENTRY

Name _____ Phone _____

Paid _____ Check no. _____

**CONTACT MUST CALL SEO FOR APPOINTMENT. 250 GALS WATER MUST BE AVAILABLE-
MUST HAVE ACCESS TO PREMISES TO PERFORM TEST**

SEO: _____ Phone _____ Date _____

Test date _____ Passed _____ FAILED _____

(SEO signature)

Important: In the event the SEO arrives at the site and then is unable to complete the dye test, there is an additional charge of \$125.00 each for any additional visits or if there is no additional visit, there is no refund of the original application fee. In the event the applicant cancels the appointment the day before the appointment there is an additional charge of \$60.00 and if the cancellation is the same day of the appointment the additional charge is \$80.00.

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On Lot Septic Dye Test Procedure

Applicant makes application at the WCSC office, pays the appropriate fee and is instructed not to have the tank pumped prior to the dye test. The tank must be full in order to do a proper dye test.

Application is recorded on the computer and assigned a dye test number.

The office assigns the application to a Sewage Enforcement Officer (SEO) and faxes a copy of the application to her/him therefore providing the dye test number, contact persons phone number and location of the property to be tested.

The contact person is provided the phone number of the assigned SEO in order to make the appointment to do the test and is instructed to uncover the inspection cover of the septic tank to verify that there is a tank and that it is full.

The SEO examines the situation and places dye in all the waste areas in the home and runs app. 100 gals of water.

The SEO waits for at least a half hour and examines the property and ways adjoining to determine if any dye comes to the surface or is discharged into a stream or storm drain.

In the event there is a suspicious visible area, but no dye shows the SEO may come back the next morning to see if dye shows.

The office then provides a letter to the applicant indication that no dye was visible. If the SEO found visible dye, then the letter so indicates.

Copies of the letter in both cases go to the municipality for any further action.

1. The fee for the dye test is \$175.00 and if there is a follow up test the additional cost is also \$175.00
2. The dye test should take place within 3 days from application and the results should go to the applicant within 2 working days.

The procedure if the dye test is serving the purpose to satisfy an appeal by the property owner of an SEO malfunction call is as follows. The dye test is performed by the SEO that made the malfunction call. In the event the test shows no dye, the application fee is returned and the malfunction is closed. The refund is approved at the next regular monthly meeting of the WCSC operating committee and placed in the mail the same day. Any appointment made with the sewage enforcement officer and then cancelled day before visit there is a charge of \$60.00 and if cancelled same day the charge is \$80.00 and any cancellation has an office charge of \$25.00. This is common to all types of applications at the Washington County Sewage Council.