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# PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS REGULATION

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**Definitions**

1 In this Regulation,

- (a) “Act” means the *Safety Codes Act*;
- (b) “Administrator” means an Administrator appointed pursuant to section 14(1) of the Act with respect to private sewage disposal systems;
- (b.1) “holding tank” means a tank designed to retain sewage or effluent until it is transferred into mobile equipment for treatment off-site;
- (c) “sewage” means the composite of liquid and water-carried wastes associated with the use of water for drinking, food preparation, washing, hygiene, sanitation or other domestic purposes, but does not include wastewater from industrial processes.

AR 229/97 s1;119/99;264/2009

**Paramountcy**

2 If there is a conflict between this Regulation and another regulation under a statute of Alberta, the other regulation prevails over this Regulation.

**Equipment**

**3(1)** No person may manufacture, install, sell or offer for sale any equipment related to private sewage disposal systems to which this Regulation applies for use in Alberta unless it has been

- (a) tested and certified by a certification organization accredited by the Standards Council of Canada, or
- (b) inspected and accepted by a certification organization accredited by the Standards Council of Canada, and the equipment bears evidence of having been accepted in the manner authorized by the certification organization.
- (c) repealed AR 264/2009 s3.

**(2)** If a code, standard or body of rules declared in force under the Act with respect to private sewage disposal systems to which this section applies refers to approved or certified equipment, that equipment must meet the requirements of this section.

AR 229/97 s3;119/99;264/2009

**Rules**

**4(1)** This Regulation applies to private sewage disposal systems.

**(2)** The Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 2009 published by the Safety Codes Council is declared in force with respect to private sewage disposal systems that

- (a) serve a single property,
- (b) are designed to receive not more than 25m<sup>3</sup> of sewage each day, and
- (c) are designed to dispose of sewage either on the property that the system serves or in a holding tank.

**(3)** The Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 2009 does not apply to two or more systems that serve a single property and, in total, receive more than 25m<sup>3</sup> of sewage each day.

**(4)** A private sewage disposal system described in subsection (2) that is designed to receive more than 5.7m<sup>3</sup> of sewage each day must be designed for its specific site and use by

- (a) a professional engineer, as defined in the *Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act*, or
- (b) a person who has qualifications that are acceptable to the Administrator.

**(5)** A private sewage disposal system that does not meet the requirements of subsection (2) must meet a standard acceptable to the Administrator.

AR 229/97 s4;119/99;264/2009;170/2012

**5** Repealed AR 227/2012 s8.

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**6** This Regulation comes into force on November 1, 1997.

**Schedule** Repealed AR 119/99 s6.



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