

## **POLICY REGARDING INTERPRETATION OF TITLE 5**

In accordance with the Department of Environmental Protection letter of April 22, 1992, regarding interpretation of Title 5, the Harwich Board of Health will enforce the following policies:

1. Real Estate Transfer Regulation – Non-standard systems should be placed in the unacceptable category of the inspection form. Non-standard systems are not in compliance with Title 5 and will be required to be upgraded to current standards.

All purchase and sale agreements executed on or after September 1, 1992, will be required to comply with this policy. Systems rated standard-functioning will be considered valid for a period of not more than two years.

2. Review of building permits – In cases where an applicant for a building permit is seeking to enlarge, renovate, demolish, reconfigure existing space, or replace existing buildings, a review of the septic system will be required to determine compliance with Title 5 and Harwich Board of Health Regulations. Any system not in compliance with current standards will be required to upgrade the system.
3. Applications for Disposal Works Construction Permit – Effective September 1, 1992, any application to construct, alter, or repair a subsurface sewage disposal system shall be accompanied by a detailed site plan designed in accordance with 310 CMR 15.02(5).

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