

2023 New Septic System Installer's Information Packet

New Installers;

All new installers must meet with a Clallam County Environmental Health Onsite sanitarian to discuss codes and expectations for installing septic systems in Clallam County.

New installers must have at least 6 months experience in design, pumping, installing or maintaining septic systems prior to licensing. If the applicant has no experience, then contact WOSSA to inquire about working with an established installer to obtain the minimum 6 months experience required. New installers with the required 6 months of experience may be licensed to install conventional gravity only for the first year and must take courses to install any other type of septic system, including but not limited to pressure, mound, or proprietary device septic systems. All installers who wish to install septic systems designed with proprietary components must first be approved by the manufacturer in order to install those septic systems.

New installers must take (at a minimum) the following courses given by Washington State Onsite Sewage System Association (**WOSSA**) prior to taking the exam:

- Basics of Onsite 101 and 102 **if new to septic systems and installing**
- Basics of Installation-O&M friendly design and install or equivalent.

The following are highly recommended but not required:

- Pathogen Exposure
- Troubleshooting failures

New installers and new site installers must take and pass a Clallam County Installers exam, WOSSA will proctor the exam; the installer may have to travel to Puyallup to take the test at the WOSSA facility. **It is the installer's responsibility to make sure he/she takes the appropriate exam; ask for the Clallam installer exam.**

For installers who are already licensed in other Washington State counties, Clallam may offer reciprocity as long as the installer has passed an installer exam and is in good standing with counties where they are licensed. All other requirements to install in Clallam County must be met.

Please submit a list of counties you are currently licensed in and a letter or email from a local Health Jurisdiction Sanitarian that you are in good standing with their county.

Clallam County Licensed Installers must be familiar with the following codes and Policies:

WAC246-272A

Clallam County Onsite Code Chapter 41.20

Clallam County Policies

Washington State Recommended Standards and Guidance documents

Washington State Registered list