

ORDINANCE NO 106

AN ORDINANCE providing for the sanitary disposal of human excreta, waste from kitchen sinks, bath tubs, slop recepticals, laundry and dish water, waste and all organic material, liquid or solid which may be classified as harmful to health and fixing penalties for violations thereof. THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF YACOLT DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

I

This ordinance shall apply to all territory embraced within the corporate limits of the Town of Yacolt, Washington, and areas of police jurisdiction thereof.

II

On and after the 1st Day of July, 1949, it shall be unlawful to maintain or use any residence, place of business, or other building or place where persons reside, congregate, or are employed which is not provided with means for the disposal of human excreta, waste from kitchen sinks, bath tubs, slop receptacles, laundry and dish water, waste and all organic matter, liquid and solid, which may be classified as harmful to health either by flush toilet connected with a septic tank or Dry Wells, approved by the City Health Officer of Yacolt, Washington, or his authorized agent.

III

Every residence, place of business or other building or place where persons congregate, reside or are employed, shall be provided with a private water flush toilet by the owner or agent of the premises; said water flush toilet system to be built or rebuilt, constructed and maintained in such a manner as to meet the requirements of construction and maintenance herein after described.

A. Private Sewer System;

1. At any residence, place of business or other building where there is installed a water flush system of excreta and waste disposal ~~where~~ the customary users do not exceed 10 in number, there shall also be established or installed a private sewerage disposal system, said disposal system to consist of a septic tank with submerged "T"s" for inlets and outlets and a system of underground drains for the disposal of the septic tank effluent. Said tank and drains shall be so constructed as to meet the requirements of

construction and maintenance hereafter described.

a. Septic tanks 6---The sizes of septic tanks shall be as follows;

Minimum size67 cubic feet	-500 gallons
Serving 8 persons87 cubic feet	-650 gallons
Serving 10 persons	1.00 cubic feet	-750 gallons

Septic tanks shall have a covered man hole of sufficient size to allow the cleaning of the tank.

b. Drains -- Sufficient four-inch open joint drain tile shall be provided and the construction and maintenance shall be such that the overflow from the septic tank, kitchen sinks, bathtubs, laundry trays, and other organic waste shall not directly or indirectly drain or discharge over or upon the surface of the ground or into any stream, bodies of surface or ground water either natural or artificial.

Drain tile shall be laid on a flat grade not to exceed one-half inch fall in 10 feet. One hundred feet of drain shall be recognized as a minimum for four persons or less; serving over four persons, 25 feet of drain per person. The open joints of the drain tiles shall be loosely wrapped with strips of asphalt roofing or tar paper to exclude sand and silt.

c. Drain line trenches--- Drain line trenches shall be 18 inches in width and 18 inches to 2 feet in depth. The drain line shall be laid in a bed of crushed stone or clean gravel covering the full width of the trench. The bottom of the drain tile shall be 12 inches above the bottom of the ditch and the gravel then filled in around the tile in such a manner as to completely cover the tile. The back-filling of the trench shall provide an earth covering of not less than 10 inches nor more than 18 inches; Provided, however, that variations of the depth of the tile may be made upon written approval of the city health officer, or his duly authorized agent.

d. Sub-surface Drainage -- When the ground conditions are such that the soil will not receive the drainage from the drain tile described in "b", a sub-surface drainage system shall be provided for the purpose of reducing the ground water table. The sub-surface drain tile shall consist of two horizontal lines of 4 inch tile, one on each side of and parallel to the septic tank drain tile, a distance of five feet horizontally from the septic tank drain tile and a vertical distance of 2 feet below the septic tank drain tile. Sub-surface drain tile shall be laid in trenches 18 inches in width, with open joints loosely wrapped with strips of asphalt roofing or tar

paper to exclude sand and gravel or sand and silt, in a bed of crushed stone or clean gravel covering the full width of the trench. The outlet end of the sub-surface drain tile may discharge onto the surface of the ground or into an open ditch or water way. There shall not be any physical connection between the sub-surface drainage tile and the sanitary drainage tile which the effluent from the septic tank is discharged into.

e. Filter trench -- When the porosity of the soil is such that it will not receive the drainage from the drain tile described in "b", a filter trench shall be substituted for the drain line. The filter trench shall consist of two 4 inch drain tiles, one laid directly above the other in the same ditch. The lower tile shall be laid on the bottom of the ditch and 4 feet of clean coarse sand and gravel placed over it. The joints of the lower tile shall be loosely wrapped with asphalt roofing or tar paper to exclude the sand and gravel. The upper 4 inch tile line shall be laid on top of the 2 feet bed of sand and coarse cinders, clean gravel or crushed stone shall be placed around the upper tile so as to cover it completely. The following lengths of filter trench shall be required.

Minimum	80 feet
Serving 8 persons	100 feet
Serving 10 persons	125 feet

The backfilling of the trench shall provide an earth covering of from 10 to 14 inches. Both the upper and lower drain tile of the filter trench shall be laid on a flat grade not to exceed one-half inch fall in 10 feet. The ditch used in construction of the filter trench shall be 3 feet in width and not less than 5 feet in depth.

f. Dry Wells-- Dry wells may be acceptable in certain areas where soil conditions and ground water table is satisfactory. Approval of area subject to Health Dept.

In no case shall the dry well be less than (8) feet in depth below the lowest point of inlet; diameter not to be less than (4) feet. In cases where no primary treatment (septic tank) is provided, then it shall be necessary to provide a grease trap of ample size.

2. At any residence, place of business or other building where there is installed a water flush system of excreta and waste disposal where the customary users exceed 10 in number the plans and construction of which in each separate case, shall be approved by the State Department of Health or City Health Officer or his authorized agent.

IV

On and after *1st day of July, 1949* it shall be unlawful to construct any means of sewerage or excreta disposal such as septic tanks without having first obtained a permit from the City Health Officer or his authorized representative.

V

Any privy or private sewerage disposal system existing or being maintained which does not conform to the requirements of this ordinance shall be and is hereby declared a nuisance, dangerous and a menace to the public health and the City Health Officer or his authorized agent of Yacolt, Washington, shall have the power and authority to abate any such nuisance in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

VI

It shall be the duty of the City Health Officer or his authorized agent to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and in the performance of this duty the Health Officer or his duly authorized agent is hereby authorized to enter at any reasonable hour any premises as may be necessary in the enforcement of the ordinance.

VII

Any person, firm, or corporation who violates or refuses or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (100.00), or imprisoned for a period of 30 days or by both such fine and prison term.

VIII

Every person, firm, or corporation shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during any portion of which any violation of any provisions of this ordinance is committed, continued, or permitted by such person, firm, or corporation and shall be punishable therefore as provided by this ordinance.


IX

If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Town Council of the Town of Yacolt, Washington, hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, sub-section, sentence, clause and phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, sub-sections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

X

Any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

XI

This ordinance shall be in force and take effect  days from and after its passage by the Council, its approval by the Mayor and its publication according to law.

Councilmen:-
Theo Greer
Albert Bengel
Carl Nelson

Mayor

Attest Quanita Sleek
Clerk

Ayes:
Nays: none
absent Loren Jacobsen

Read 1st time April - 18 - 1949
Read 2nd time April 18 - 1949
Read 3rd time June - 6 - 1949