

Avoiding Trouble

- **DO** Be sure you have a Zabel Filter in your septic tank.
- **DO** Contact your Zabel Certified Technician for service every 3 - 5 years.
- **DO** Keep good records concerning your system.
- **DO** Repair leaking plumbing fixtures, no matter how small the leak.
- **DO** Conserve water by avoiding long showers. Use washing machines, dishwashers and other water devices sparingly.
- **DO** Divert gutter drains and surface waters away from your system.
- **DON'T** Use a garbage disposal
- **DON'T** Allow anyone to park or drive over your system.
- **DON'T** Dig into your lateral field or build anything over the top of it.
- **DON'T** Make or allow repairs to be made to your system without first contacting your Zabel Certified Technician.
- **DON'T** Use commercial septic tank additives.
- **DON'T** Dump non-biodegradable items such as grease, disposable diapers, plastics, and cigarette butts down your toilet or drains.
- **DON'T** Dump chemicals such as paint thinner, pesticides, excessive amounts of cleaners, or other hazardous substances into your system.

You've spent thousands on your home and landscaping, an unfiltered septic tank allows solid waste materials to flow to your drainfield eventually clogging it. Don't let clogged drainfields cause this to happen to your backyard.



Service Record

Date	Work Performed	Contractor

Septic tank effluent contains harmful bacteria and pollutants that may cause illness, Please contact a professional to perform all service on your system.

Zabel Certified Technician

SYSTEM RECORD

Use the following section to document information concerning your system

Pretreatment

Septic Tank Size (gallons): _____

Pump Tank Size (gallons): _____

Tank Type: Concrete Fiberglass Plastic

Manufacturer: _____

Lateral Field

Type: Rock Trenches Rock Beds

Graveless Pipe Leaching Chamber

Other: _____

Dimensions: _____

Accessories

Pump Manufacturer: _____ Model #: _____

Alarm Manufacturer: _____ Model #: _____

Curtain Drain Siphon

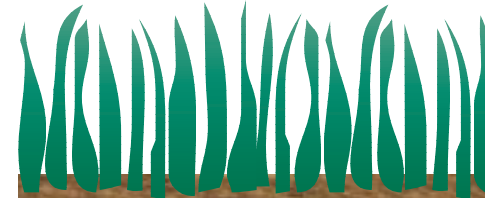
Zabel Filter Model #: _____

Zabel Flow Director Change Direction On: ____/____/____

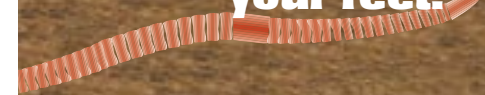
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Important Information

Your Septic System

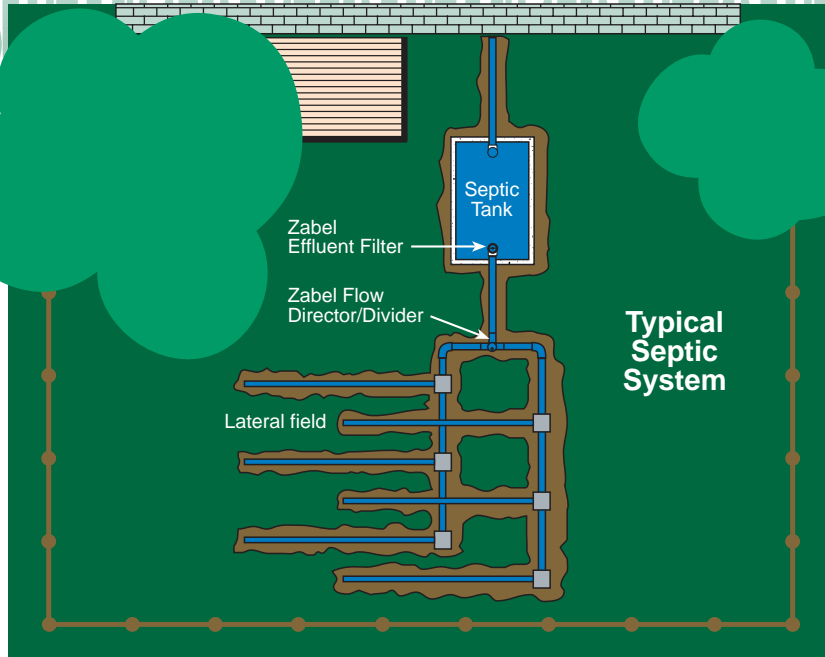


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What is a Septic System?



Typical Septic System

Septic systems are individual wastewater treatment systems that collect, treat and dispose of wastewater. They are reliable, cost effective and efficient. Septic systems are used where municipal sewers are not available or are impractical.

Your septic system consists of four components: the **septic tank**, **Zabel Filter**, **Zabel Flow Director/Divider**, and **lateral field**.

Your **septic tank** retains wastewater while bacterial action breaks down solid waste material. The **Zabel Filter** installed in your

septic tank helps to retain the partially digested solid materials in the tank. Keeping the solid material away from your lateral field is crucial to proper operation of your system.

The Zabel **Flow Director/Divider** splits the wastewater and sends it on to the lateral field. Your **lateral field** is the last step in treating your waste. Wastewater enters trenches that contain gravel and pipes. Wastewater moves through these trenches and into the surrounding soil. The soil cleans the wastewater so that it can be recycled to the groundwater below.

Maintaining your Septic System?

Your septic system should be properly maintained to assure years of trouble-free service. Contact your Zabel Certified Technician to clean your septic tank and Zabel Filter every three - five years.

Proper maintenance of your septic system begins by installing a Zabel Filter in your septic tank. Your Zabel Filter will warn you when the system needs attention. Failing to maintain your system will cause your system to fail.

Failing septic systems can:

- Endanger your family's health.
- Pollute the environment.
- Reduce your property value.
- Be expensive to repair.

Adding a Zabel SmartFilter™ makes your system maintenance worry free. The SmartFilter™ switch will trigger an alarm when it's time to service your tank and filter. SmartFilter™ technology is added protection and security that your system will receive proper maintenance.

WARNING
signs of potential system problems:

- Wet spots in the yard.
- Slow draining toilets or drains.
- Gurgling sounds in your drains.
- Sewage odors.

