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**PART 1**

**SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM REGULATIONS**

**§18-101. Title and Purpose.**

1. **Short Title.** This Part shall be known and may be cited as the “Pulaski Township Sewage Disposal Ordinance.”
2. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Part is to promote the public health, cleanliness, comfort and safety of the citizens of the Township.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §1)

**§18-102. Inside Sanitary Sewage Disposal System Required.**

Inside sanitary facilities and a sanitary sewage disposal system shall be provided for every improvement hereafter erected and intended to be used for dwelling purposes even though such structure is fabricated or manufactured elsewhere and placed on a lot and intended to be used as a dwelling, whether affixed thereto permanently or temporarily and whether mobile or immobile.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §2)

**§18-103. Requirements for Sewage Facilities.**

1. The design of individual sewage disposal systems shall take into consideration location with respect to wells or other sources of water supply, topography, water table, soil characteristics, available area and the maximum occupancy of the buildings, with each unit of the disposal system to be designed to adequately treat the estimated volume of waste to be discharged from the premises to be served.
2. When inside sanitary facilities are to be provided, the sewage disposal systems shall contain a septic tank, a distribution box and a tile field disposal area with the minimum sizes and capacities, and the manner of construction and location of the different units of the system to be in accordance with specifications and schedules to be adopted by resolution of the Board of Supervisors upon the enactment of this Part, or as such specifications and/or schedule which may be amended by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §3)

**§18-104. Connecting Lines and Joints.**

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Any sewer line or lines connecting the inside sanitary facilities to the septic tank shall be carefully constructed of approved materials, and all joints in the line shall be carefully sealed and made watertight.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §4)

### **§18-105. Forbidden Contrivances, Devices or Practices.**

Unless otherwise provided by the Board of Supervisors, neither abandoned wells, nor drilled wells, nor drilled holes, nor dug holes over 10 feet in depth nor any device, the use of which might pollute the underground streams shall be used in connection with or become a part of a sewage disposal system.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §5)

### **§18-106. Filing of Plans and Specifications.**

Prior to the commencement of construction or erection of any building to be intended to be used as a dwelling, or any structure to be provided with inside sanitary facilities or prior to occupancy of any mobile unit intended to be used as a dwelling, plans and specifications of the proposed sanitary sewage disposal system to be incorporated with said dwelling or building shall be submitted to the Township Supervisors, or their duly designated agent, by the builder, owner or proposed occupier thereof, for their approval, which plans and specifications shall clearly disclose the details of the proposed sewage disposal system and all materials to be used therein. The Board of Supervisors may require to be made such alterations in the plans or specifications as it may seem advisable.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §6)

### **§18-107. Necessity of Permit.**

In the event that such plans and specifications shall be approved by the Board of Supervisors as originally presented or as revised by said Board, a permit shall be issued to the applicant upon the payment of a fee for the use of the Township in accordance with a fee schedule to be adopted by resolution of the Board of Supervisors upon the enactment of this Part or as such schedule may be amended by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. No construction or installation of any proposed sanitary sewage system or any part thereof shall be commenced unless and until such permit shall have been obtained.

(Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §7)

### **§18-108. Inspection Before Final Coverage.**

The Township Supervisors shall be notified by the holder of such permit before final coverage of the sewage disposal system and an inspection shall be made by the Board of Supervisors, or their duly designated agent, to insure that the approved plans and specifications have been faithfully followed. No dwelling, whether mobile or immobile, shall be occupied until final approval of the sanitary sewage disposal system has been given by the Board of Supervisors or their duly designated agent.

(*Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §8*)

**§18-109. Outhouse Sanitary Sewage Facilities.**

In the event the requirements of this Part create an unreasonable hardship on the applicant, special permission may be obtained for the construction and use of an outhouse providing the provisions of §§18-106, 18-107 and 18-108 herein are complied with.

(*Ord. 221, 4/7/1981, §9*)

**§18-110. Existing Sewage Systems.**

In the event that any existing sewage systems, or any sewage system hereafter constructed, is not properly maintained and is permitted to fill up and overflow onto the surrounding surface, or otherwise create a nuisance, the user of such system shall be deemed in violation of this Part.

(*Ord. 221, 4/7/1981, §10*)

**§18-111. Penalties.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a district justice in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(*Ord. 221, 4/17/1981, §12; as amended by Ord. a220, 9/10/2001*)