

Maintaining Your Septic System

[Do you know where your septic system is?](#) Does your septic tank need to be inspected or pumped out? If so, give a reputable septic tank pumping firm a call this spring. To prolong the life of your system, follow these tips from MSU Extension.

Pump your septic tank regularly, usually once every 3 to 5 years to avoid a costly septic system failure. Signs of failure include: odors, plumbing or septic tank backups, and gurgling sounds in the pumping system.

Stay away from additives. Their benefits have not been demonstrated, and some may actually harm your system and contaminate groundwater.

