

SEPTIC TIPS

Healthy Septic=Happy Lake



“Did you know you can prolong the life and efficiency of your Septic System if you follow some of these Septic Tips?”

1. Are you using Septic friendly cleaning products!

- Look for products that are **chlorine** and **phosphate free**.
- Choose products that are **biodegradable** and **fragrance free**.

2. Skip the Fabric Softener!

- Adds unfriendly chemicals.

3. Use Liquid Detergent rather than powder for dishwashers!

4. Don't use detergent pods!

- Microplastics don't completely breakdown.

5. Avoid Antibacterial products!

- Kills microbial function in your septic system.

6. Spread out use of water over time!

- Give your system time to digest the waste.
- Limit laundry to one load per day.
- Keep showers short and use low flow shower heads.

7. Avoid using your drain as a garburator!

- Don't put food particles or FOG (fat, oil and grease) down your drain.

8. Does your toilet paper breakdown easily?

- A simple test is to put a few sheets into a 1 litre jar of water and wait 20 minutes and shake well and see if it dissolves.
- Suggested products Royale Original or Cascades Enviro.

9. Does your water softener drain into your septic?

- Ontario's building code recommends that water softener backwash should be discharged into a grey waterbed.