

PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM OPEN DISCHARGE

Regulation History

Clearance Requirements

in FEET (official measurements in metric)

	PROPERTY LINE	WATER SOURCE (WELL OR OTHER SOURCE OF POTABLE WATER)	BUILDING / DWELLING (WITH BASEMENT)	BUILDING / DWELLING (WITHOUT BASEMENT)	FROM OTHER INHABITABLE BUILDING ON ANY OTHER PARCEL OF LAND	SURFACE BODY OF WATER WATER COURSE
Plumbing and Drainage Regulations (Manpower & Labour) Code effective date Dec 21, 1972 to Dec 8, 1977	300	150	300 ⁽³⁾	300 ⁽³⁾	1000	300
The Plumbing and Drainage Act Regulations (Labour) Code effective date Dec 8, 1977 to Oct 15, 1987	150	150	150	150		300
The Plumbing and Drainage Act Regulations (Labour) Code effective date Oct 15, 1987 to Aug 1, 1990	150	150	150	150		
Plumbing and Gas Safety Services Branch Quarterly Bulletin Code effective date Aug 1, 1990 to July 1, 1992	300	150	150	150		
Alberta Private Sewage Treatment and Disposal Regulations Code effective date July 1, 1992 to Nov 1, 1997	300	150	150	150		
Regulations Code effective date Nov 1, 1997 to July 20, 1999	300	150	150	150		
Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 1999 Code effective date July 20, 1999 to 2008	300	150	150	150		300 ⁽¹⁾
Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice 2009 Code effective date October 5 2009 to Present	300	165	150	150		300 ⁽²⁾

(1) On a property that adjoins the permanent body of water as prescribed in 3.2.2 to the exception in 3.2.2.(b), may allow a reduction in this distance depending on the arrangement of the system. **(SOP 1999)**

(2) On a property that adjoins the permanent body of water as prescribed in 2.1.2.4 to the exception in 2.1.2.4 (2), may allow a reduction in this distance depending on the arrangement of the system. **(SOP 2009)**

(3) The parcel of land must be at least 40 acres or more.

Dwelling or Dwelling Unit means a suite operated as a housekeeping unit used, or intended to be used, as a domicile by one or more persons and usually contains cooking, eating, living, sleeping and sanitary facilities. **(SOP 1999)**

Building means any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy. **(SOP 2009)**