



**Village of Arlington Heights**  
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## Well & Septic Tank Acknowledgment

### Private Water Wells

#### Requirements for keeping a well

- ❖ A reduced pressure principle backflow device (RPZ) shall be installed on the domestic water service piping supplied by the Village of Arlington Heights.
- ❖ The RPZ and water meter shall be purchased from the Village of Arlington Heights and be installed by the Village of Arlington Heights. The plumber shall provide a meter/RPZ spread for the installation of both devices.
- ❖ Air gap drainage shall be drained to a floor drain or a sump pit. **All piping & installation of air gap drainage shall be performed by licensed plumbing contractor.**
- ❖ An expansion tank at the water heater shall be supplied & installed by a licensed plumbing contractor.
- ❖ The complete installation of an expansion tank, air gap drainage, RPZ & water meter shall be completed within 30 days after the completion of installation of new water service.
- ❖ The RPZ shall be tested annually. This test can be done by the Village of Arlington Heights and scheduled by calling the Public Works Department at (847) 368-5800.
- ❖ Failure to complete the installation and testing procedure within 30 days will result in the termination of domestic water service.

#### Sealing Procedure

- ❖ Water wells shall be sealed within 30 days after the well is no longer in use.
- ❖ Water wells must be sealed **prior** to demolition of structures.
- ❖ Failure to seal the well within 30 days will result in termination of the domestic water supplied by the Village of Arlington Heights.
- ❖ Water wells shall be sealed by a licensed water well driller in compliance with the Illinois Water Well Construction Code.
- ❖ The sealing shall be witnessed by the Village of Arlington Heights and the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH). Call (847) 368-5762 to schedule an inspection with the Village of Arlington Heights and (847) 818-2843 to schedule CCDPH. **Scheduling must occur with a minimum of 48 hours prior to sealing.**

#### Septic Tanks

- ❖ Septic tanks shall **not** be abandoned prior to the public sewer connection being completed and approved.
- ❖ Septic tanks shall be abandoned **prior** to demolition of structures.
- ❖ Septic tanks no longer in use shall be properly abandoned within 10 days of the public sewer connection being completed and approved.
- ❖ Septic tanks shall be completely pumped by a licensed sewage transporter. The floor and walls shall be cracked or crumbled so the tank will no hold water and the tank shall be filled with sand, crushed stone or soil. If the tank is removed from the ground, the excavation shall be filled with soil.
- ❖ The Village of Arlington Heights shall witness that the tank is completely empty and that the abandonment is done properly. Call 847-368-5762 to schedule this inspection. **Scheduling must occur at least 48 hours prior to pumping of the tank.**

The undersigned has read and understands the information provided in this informational handout, and agrees to comply with all applicable Village codes.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Job-Site Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ Revised 4/16/2024