

**15A NCAC 13B .0844 TRANSPORTATION OF SEPTAGE**

(a) All septage shall be transported in a safe, sanitary manner that prevents leaks and spills and comply with the following:

- (1) All tanks shall be constructed of metal and permanently attached to the truck bed, unless otherwise approved by the Division;
- (2) All valves shall be in proper working order and be completely closed during transportation;
- (3) All access ports shall have proper fitting lids in good repair and be completely closed during transportation;
- (4) Portable toilet pump units that slide into pickup truck beds shall be bolted to the trucks in accordance with manufacturer specifications;
- (5) Boats used to pump or transport septage shall be United States Coast Guard approved or engineered plans shall be available indicating that the specific craft is stable in the water when fully loaded; and
- (6) Tanks that are mounted on trailers for the pumping or transportation of septage shall meet all applicable state and federal requirements for highway use.

(b) All permitted septage management firms shall display decals or lettering on each side of every pumper vehicle operated by the firm. The decals or lettering shall include the name, address (town name), phone number, and septage management firm permit number. All decals or lettering on the pumper vehicle shall be no less than three inches in height and plainly visible. Identification shall be permanently attached (i.e., no removable signs).

(c) Applicants for septage management firm permits which were not permitted in the previous calendar year shall have each pump truck inspected prior to the Division's issuance of a permit.

(d) Septage to be discharged at a wastewater treatment plant or any part of the collection system for that plant shall be handled in accordance with the plant rules and policies.

(e) All vehicles used in the transportation of septage, including spare vehicles and tankers, shall meet the requirements of this section and be included in the permit application.

(f) Vehicles used in the transportation of septage, that are listed on an approved septage management firm permit application, may remain loaded or partially loaded on land owned by the septage management firm for up to seven days without obtaining a permit for a detention or treatment facility. Such vehicles shall comply with all parts of this Rule.

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