



**Town of Pittsfield
Board of Selectmen
Town Hall, 85 Main Street
Pittsfield, NH 03263**

Residential Septic System Ordinance

Definitions. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the following meaning ascribed to them in this section.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The Selectmen of the Town or their duly appointed agent.

DWELLING: Dwelling shall mean any building, structure, trailer, mobile home or camp, or part thereof, used and occupied for human habitation, business or industrial use, or intended to be so used, and includes any appurtenances belonging thereto or usually enjoyed therewith.

MOBILE HOME: A mobile home means a dwelling equipped, or originally equipped, with axles and/or readily movable to another location. Whether or not the unit is jacked or blocked up, or placed upon a foundation so as to be made immovable, ie:, shall nevertheless be governed by this ordinance.

TRAILER: Shall mean any vehicle used or so constructed to permit it being used as a conveyance on the public streets and highways and duly licensed as such, and constructed in such a manner as will permit occupancy thereof as a dwelling or sleeping quarters for one or more persons. A trailer under this ordinance, shall also mean tent trailers, truck campers or other sleeping facilities other than a mobile home and/or what normally constitutes a permanent dwelling.

WATER SUPPLY & POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION PERMITS: shall mean the New Hampshire Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission, or any successor agency charged with issuing construction and operating permits for septic systems and issuing standards for waste disposal.

1. Dwelling-Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission Permits. No dwelling within the Town of Pittsfield shall be occupied until a construction permit and occupancy permit for the septic system issued by the Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission has been filed with the Building Inspector, or if said dwelling is to be attached to a municipal sewer system, proof of such connection has been filed with the Building Inspector.

2. Mobile Homes-Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission Permits. A permit to place or occupy a mobile home within the Town of Pittsfield, shall not be issued until a construction permit for the septic system issued by the Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission, or in the case of connection to the municipal sewer system, proof of such connection, has been filed with the Building Inspector. Nor, shall a permit be issued to place or occupy a mobile home within the Town of Pittsfield so long as the applicant is in violation of any statutes or Town regulation, or Ordinance relating to mobile homes. No

mobile home shall be occupied until an operation permit is issued by the aforementioned agency and filed with the Building Inspector where the mobile home is not served by the municipal system, or until such proof has been provided to the Town where the mobile home is served by the municipal system.

3. Seasonal Uses. Individual mobile homes or trailers used for seasonal or recreational dwelling purposes, being maintained, established, stationed, or parked for a period of time in excess of forty-five days, within the Town of Pittsfield, shall require written approval from the Health Officer prior to construction, or operation of sewage systems not requiring approval by the New Hampshire Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission, i.e., self contained toilets without running water, including privies and portable chemical toilets. No mobile home or trailer shall be occupied for seasonal uses until such written approval by the Health Officer has been provided to the Town by the applicant.

4. Approval by Health Officer. If there any conditions affecting the property for which an occupancy permit is sought such, that an approved septic system or connection to a municipal system is not practical, and the applicant proposes a method of waste disposal that meets the standards of the Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission for waste disposal then, in effect, the Health Officer, with the approval of the Board of Health, may issue a written approval for alternative waste disposal methods, which approval, when filed with the Building Inspector, shall be in lieu of a construction and operation permit issued by the Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission for purposes of this ordinance. The Health Officer and Board of Health may attach reasonable conditions to such approval relating to the construction, maintenance, operation and periodic inspection of such alternative disposal methods. Failure to comply with such condition, shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance.

5. Occupancy Permit. Upon complying with the above applicable requirements, the Board of Selectmen shall issue an Occupancy Permit which shall identify the dwelling covered thereby and which shall be on file with the Building Inspector, and a duplicate copy issued to the applicant for the dwelling or mobile home concerned. No dwelling or mobile home shall be occupied until such permit is issued.

6. Penalty. Construction, placement, or occupancy of a dwelling or mobile home in violation of this ordinance, shall be subject to a fine of Ten Dollars(\$10.00) per day, each day constituting a separate violation, commencing upon receipt by the violator of notice of such violation and intended to invoke the penalty sent to the violator by certified mail, return receipt requested by the Building Inspector.

This Ordinance was adopted under Article 11, of the 1982 Annual Town Meeting. YES 99 NO 96