

# GENERAL PERMIT FOR SYSTEM ABANDONMENT

#### [Permit issuance date]

Permittee:	[Applicant Name]
License Number:	[Contractor/Plumber license number]
Permit Number:	[Permit number auto generated]
Facility ID	[Facility ID]
Expiration Date:	[Permit expiration date – 18 months after issuance]
Parcel Number:	[Facility Parcel Number]
Facility Address:	[Facility Street Address]
City, State, ZIP:	[Facility City, State, ZIP]
County:	[County location of project]

### Dear [Applicant Name]:

The Department has reviewed your notice of intent to abandon an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system (OSTDS) and does not object to your use of this general permit.

Please note the requirements below apply to your use of this general permit. The abandonment must be performed in full compliance with Rule 62-6.011, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), and the description contained in your notice of intent. Any deviation or failure to comply may subject the permittee to enforcement action and possible penalties.

If you have any questions, please contact [Service hub contact].

#### Requirements for Use of the General Permit for OSTDS Abandonment:

- 1. Submission of notice of intent: The property owner or authorized agent must submit a notice of intent to abandon the system and receive approval under this general permit prior to commencing work.
- 2. Pump-Out of Tank: The system must be pumped out by a permitted septage disposal company. A pump-out receipt must be included with the Notice of Completion, below. If the tank is dry at the time of abandonment, a written certification to that effect must be provided by the septage disposal company, licensed septic tank contractor, or plumber.
- 3. Tank Destruction or Removal: The bottom of all tanks shall be ruptured, or the entire tank collapsed, to prevent water retention. Alternatively, tanks may be removed from the site following the procedures in subsection 62-6.015(6), F.A.C., for spoil material.
- 4. Filling of Tank: The abandoned tank must be filled with clean sand or suitable material and completely covered with soil.

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5. Photographic Documentation: The contractor must submit photographic documentation as required by Rule 62-6.011(2)(a)8., F.A.C., showing each stage of the abandonment process. Photos must be provided in a standard digital format with metadata (date, time, location).

- 6. Certification of Completion: The contractor must submit a certification to the Department that the abandonment was performed in compliance with Rule 62-6.011, F.A.C. The certification form is provided below and must be completed upon job completion.
- 7. Construction Permit in Lieu of General Permit: If any of the above requirements cannot be met, the applicant must instead apply for an abandonment construction permit from the Department. In such cases, the general permit is not valid, and the abandonment is not complete until the Department or Private Provider Inspector has conducted an inspection and verified compliance.
- 8. Permit Expiration: This general permit will expire 18 months from the date of issuance. If abandonment has not been completed by that time, a new permit must be obtained.

## **Contractor Certification of OSTDS Abandonment Completion**

I, the undersigned registered septic tank contractor, master septic tank contractor or licensed plumber, hereby certify that the onsite sewage treatment and disposal system located at:

Facility ID:						
Property Address:						
County:						
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has been properly ab	andoned in a	accordance v	with the requ	irements of	Rule 62-6.01	1, F.A.C. and
the conditions of this	general perr	mit.				
Contractor/Plumber I	Name (Print)	:				
License Number:						
Company Name:						
Signature:						
Date of Completion:						