

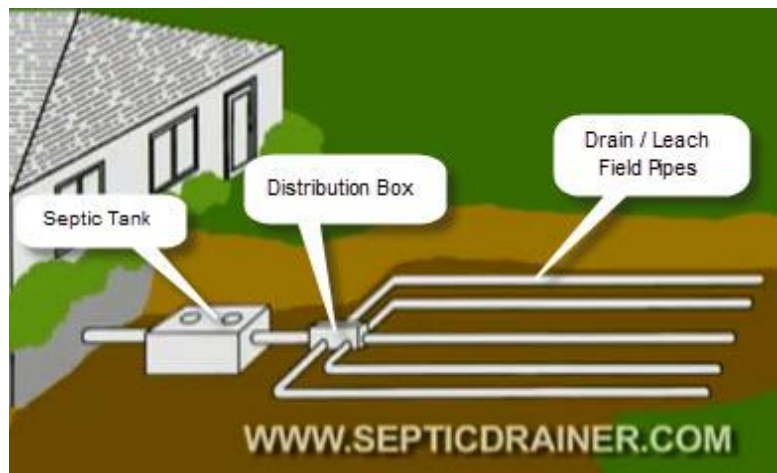


TIPS ON SEPTIC TANK MAINTENANCE

- **Toilets aren't trash cans:** Don't flush anything besides human waste and toilet paper.
- **Inspect and pump frequently:** Have your septic tank professionally inspected at least every three years and pumped every three to five years.
- **Use water efficiently:** All the water a household sends down its pipes winds up in its septic system. The more water a household conserves, the less enters the septic system. Water conservation improves the system's operation and decreases the risk of failure.



- **Maintain your drainfield:** Your septic tank has a drainfield to remove contaminants from the liquid in the tank. Never park, drive or plant trees on it, and keep roof drains and other drainage systems away from it.



Please, don't flush it and forget it! Visit EPA's [Proper Care](#) page to learn more about septic maintenance.