Mission: To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



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EXISTING SYSTEM

OSTDS existing system applications must be accompanied by information and materials specified below prior to a site evaluation being performed by this office. If incomplete, the package will be returned to the applicant.

The following documents are required before an application is complete:

- Application/site evaluation fee of \$190.00 is payable when application is turned in. Application form must have ALL REQUIRED information filled out before it is accepted. APPLICATION MUST CONTAIN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE. If a representative is appointed to act on your behalf, a Letter of Authorization must be submitted, or a copy of a legal contract. Fees are subject to change.

- **Site plan** <u>drawn to scale</u>, or a survey of property with dimensions showing placement of: structure, septic system, water source (well/water hookup), driveway, and any other buildings, swimming pools, easements, drainage features, slopes, or bodies of water on property.

- Floor plan drawn to scale with overall dimensions of structure, and all rooms identified.

- **Pump-out and certification** must be done by a state-certified septic contractor. The septic contractor will submit a pump-out certification to this office.

- **Flags**. One flag must be placed at the entrance to the property; one flag must be placed next to the location of the septic tank. Flags are provided by this office.

- Existing OSTDS approval will be issued if the requirements of Chapter 64E-6, Florida Administrative Code are met and sewage flow is unchanged. Customers denied OSTDS existing system approval may apply for a repair or modification/upgrade permit.

- An existing system application is valid for one (1) year from the date of purchase.

For additional information or assistance please contact the Environmental Health Office, Gulf County Health Department at (850) 227-1276, ext. 125. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m., EST, Monday through Friday.

NOTE: If you do not own the property you must have a written statement from the owner authorizing you to act as their agent in obtaining the existing system approval.