

Suffolk County Approved Generic Package Systems

For additional information, please contact the Department at (631) 854-2501

The Generic Tank Program was instituted by the Department to simplify the permitting process for certain small stand-alone tank systems. This program allows tank manufacturers to receive “pre-approval” on their systems, resulting in an inexpensive and streamlined permitting process for the tank owner. This program applies to stand-alone aboveground tanks less than 1,100 gallons. Underground tanks are not included in this program.

Before a tank can be installed, a tank owner must apply for, and receive, a Permit to Construct from this Department. As part of the normal application process, a tank owner must have plans prepared by a professional engineer or architect licensed in the state of New York; however, under the Generic Tank Program, the tank manufacturer has previously submitted engineering drawings to the Department for “generic” approved stand-alone tank systems, therefore, an additional submittal is not required. This saves the tank owner the cost of having engineering drawings prepared. In addition, the tank owner is charged a lower review fee. The tank owner must, however, get a Permit to Construct before installing the tank. The procedure to follow is detailed below.

1. Tank Owner Applies for Permit to Construct

The tank owner must submit the following items to Suffolk County Department of Health Services at 15 Horseblock Place, Farmingville, New York 11738:

- Application of Permit to Construct. The tank manufacturer and model number of the tank to be used must be indicated in the spaces provided. A current listing of the pre-approved systems is attached.
- Suffolk County Department of Health Services’ Toxic Liquid Storage Registration Form. This form must be completed in accordance with the instructions provided and signed by the tank owner.
- Plot plan, sketch or survey. The plot plan must show property lines, streets, water service, sanitary system, and must show location of existing and proposed tanks(s).
- Fee. A check in the amount of \$370 (\$220 generic tank review fee and \$150 registration fee) for each tank to be installed. The check is to be made payable to “Suffolk County Department of Health Services.”

2. The Department reviews application and a Permit to Construct is issued.

The Department will review all of the information submitted. If the application is in order, a permit will be issued. The permit and two copies of the approved drawings (submitted by the tank manufacturer) will be sent to the tank owner.

3. Tank may be installed.

After a Permit to Construct is issued, the tank owner may install the tank. The tank must be installed exactly as shown on the drawings issued by the Department. If the tank does not match the drawings, contact the tank vendor.

4. Tank is inspected by this Department.

After the tank has been installed, the tank owner must arrange for an inspection before the tank is put into use. Please contact (631) 854-2523 arrange an inspection.

5. Department issues Permit to Operate.

If the tank has been installed **exactly** as the plans indicated, the Department will issue a Permit to Operate. At this time, the tank may be filled and used.

- Tanks may not be installed until a permit is issued.
- Only the tanks on the attached table are approved for this program.
- Tanks must be installed **exactly** as shown on the plans issued.