

TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD
BOARD OF HEALTH
CORNER OF ROUTE 519 & OAK GROVE ROAD
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APPLICATION FOR WITNESSING SOIL LOGS & PERMEABILITY TESTING

BLOCK: _____ **LOT:** _____ **NUMBER OF PROPOSED LOTS:** _____

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ENGINEER: _____ **PHONE #:** _____

TEST DATE/S: _____

The applicant agrees to comply with the Code of the Township of Kingwood, Chapter 153, Article I, "Individual Subsurface Disposal Systems," as amended, which states that all soil logs shall be in accordance with Chapter 199 of the Public laws of New Jersey.

Any person or corporation desirous of conducting soil testing required to be witnessed shall request of the Secretary of the Board of Health the presence of the Township Engineer or his agent at such tests. At the time the request is made, the applicant shall deposit with the Board Secretary, as security for the payment of costs by the Township in witnessing said tests a fee of \$300 for the first lot and \$175 for each additional lot on which testing is to be conducted and witnessed. **THE APPLICANT SHALL PROCURE A RECEIPT FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID DEPOSIT FROM THE BOARD SECRETARY, AND THE APPLICANT OR ITS ENGINEER SHALL PRESENT SAME WITH THIS APPLICATION TO THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER AT HIS OFFICE BEFORE ANY TESTS ARE SCHEDULED.**

The actual fees per lot for witnessing permeability tests and/or soil logs shall be \$300 for the first lot and \$175 for each additional lot on which testing is conducted and witnessed. A minimum charge of \$200 will be due if scheduled testing is cancelled for any reason, unless notification is given to the Township Engineer or his agent prior to 8:00 a.m. on the day of testing.

If at any time prior to completion of all permeability tests and soil borings the actual costs incurred by the Township shall equal or exceed the security moneys deposited by the applicant with the Board Secretary, the applicant shall again post a fee of \$175 per lot and shall again present evidence of payment thereof to the Township Engineer's office before further tests are scheduled.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to secure the safety of the site during the testing procedures. The applicant is required to complete the attached indemnification agreement and submit along with this application.

Date: _____ **Signature of Applicant** _____

(KINGWOOD TOWNSHIP USE ONLY)

RECEIPT NO. _____ **AMOUNT:** _____

Date: _____
Signature of Township Official _____

**THIS DOCUMENT
HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES
AND
SHOULD BE REFERRED TO YOUR ATTORNEY PRIOR TO SIGNING**

(I) _____ (We) _____ , _____
the applicant/s for the observation and witnessing by a representative of the Board of Health of a test of soil characteristics in connection with:

(Check one): _____ Construction
 _____ Alteration
 _____ Repair of a subsurface individual sewage disposal system
 _____ Subdivision or Site Plan Application

Block: _____ Lot: _____

in Kingwood Township, New Jersey, in consideration of the participation by the Board of Health of the Township of Kingwood (Board of Health) in the site evaluation procedure for the design and location of a septic system on the subject property, acknowledge (my) (our) responsibility for providing adequate safety measures to permit safe access to the excavated test area during the test procedures, as well as appropriate warning signs and fencing, to limit access to any excavation by the public when the excavation is left unattended and (I) (we) hereby agree to defend, indemnify and save harmless the Board of Health and the Township of Kingwood and their elected and appointed officials, agents and employees, from and against any and all claims and liabilities (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) arising out of or related to any excavation.

In accordance with Kingwood Township Ordinance No. 15-15-2008, backfilling of excavated soil logs and test pits shall be performed such as to restore the original soil layers, compacted and returned to the pre-existing natural ground surface to the greatest extent practicable. It is the applicant/owner's responsibility to ensure proper backfilling of excavations, not the Township witness or inspector.

This indemnification agreement shall apply notwithstanding the actual or alleged negligence of those to be indemnified, but shall not apply to claims or liabilities arising solely from the negligence of these to be indemnified.

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name of Applicant

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Date