



## Supplemental BOH Policy

### Local Board of Health (BOH) Requirement

#### For Title V septic system inspections where dwelling units have kitchen sinks with garbage disposals (grinders)

310 CMR 15.223(1)c specifies design parameters for septic system requirements with garbage grinders (also known as garbage disposals). The official Title V MA State Inspection form simply asks the inspector if the residence has a garbage grinder present (yes/no) but does not offer anything additional or give means to assess or address a non-compliance (how it may affect the system) if the appliance is found to be present when not having been designed for.

This BOH policy will recognize when this non-conforming situation is found to exist and address through the adoption of an additional "Conditional Pass" criteria to be utilized when a garbage grinder is found to exist, but not designed for, as required under the state regulations.

Therefore any State licensed Title V inspector performing an official Title V inspection within the Town of Stoughton, upon finding (during the required walk thru part of the inspection) a garbage grinder within a kitchen sink with no engineering plan documentation to verify it was specifically designed for which, cannot "pass" the system and must utilize the "conditional pass" and advise the owner of the non-compliant issue. The system can then only be considered a "PASS" when either:

The garbage grinder is properly removed, re-piped, and re-wired with the appropriate plumbing and electrical permits through the building department, or

The system is properly upgraded with the State required modifications for both the tank (2 compartment) and leaching system (150%) to meet the design requirements by a licensed septic installer through the BOH with proper plans and permits, or

Variances are requested/reviewed & approved or denied through the local approving authority.

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