



Kensico Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program Completing a Remediation

The primary focus of the Kensico Septic System Rehabilitation Reimbursement Program (Septic Program) consists of Remediation and Repair of failing septic systems. The information below is a guide for Property Owners to follow to ensure they maintain their eligibility throughout the **Remediation** process.

What does Remediation mean? How is it different from a Repair?

- “Remediation” of a septic system, as opposed to “Repair”, is generally more complex, typically requires plans drafted by a Professional Engineer (PE), and requires regulatory review by the Westchester County Health Department (WCHD) and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP). A Repair is generally less complex, often involves the replacement in kind of existing equipment, does not typically require plans drafted by a PE, and is not subject to WCHD or NYCDEP regulatory review.

How do I know if my system is in need of a Repair or a Remediation?

- You will not be required to determine if your system is in need of a Repair versus a Remediation. Septic Program staff or your septic contractor will determine this after the initial inspection of your system is complete.

What are the steps I need to follow when having my system Remediated?

- Sign the Program Agreement provided by the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC).
- Hire a PE to draft a remedial design. The design must be submitted to the WCHD for regulatory review and approval prior to construction. As per existing agreements, WCHD will forward copies of the design to NYCDEP for joint review, so there is no need to submit additional copies to NYCDEP or EFC.
- Once you receive design approval from WCHD, contact a licensed septic contractor and obtain price quotes from one or more of them on the attached Scope of Work and Bid Form. A list of WCHD-licensed contractors can be obtained by going to the EFC website at www.nysefc.org/Kensico.
- Submit the Scope of Work and Bid Form to EFC for review prior to construction. EFC will review the bid, along with the approved designs, and provide you with a preliminary reimbursement estimate.
- ** **In most cases, the Property Owner may proceed with the Remediation without receiving a preliminary reimbursement estimate. However, please note that any work completed without receiving a preliminary reimbursement estimate may not be eligible for reimbursement, and will be done at your own risk.**
- Contact your contractor to review the estimate and commence work on the project.
- As the remediation nears completion, contact NYCDEP for an open works inspection. You must provide notification to NYCDEP at least 2 business days in advance of the project completion date.
- Following the completion of the project, review and submit the Reimbursement Application along with all of the necessary documentation. Please remember to sign the bottom of the Application.
- ** **Please note that the WCHD may have its own review, inspection, and submittal requirements in addition to those required for participation in the Septic Program, which may or may not be listed above. It is the Property Owner’s responsibility to ensure they are in compliance with the Westchester County Sanitary Code and associated regulations.**

Need More Information?

- Go to our Website at www.nysefc.org/Kensico
- E-mail us at Kensico@nysefc.org
- Call **1-800-882-9721** and ask to speak with a Kensico Program representative

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