



Sanitation Division

Residential Sanitary Sewer Guidance

Completion of this form shall be used as [guidance](#) by the applicant

For more detailed sewer requirements, please reference pages 143-179 of the [County Design Criteria](#). For any questions on this form or Sanitation requirements, please contact DPW Sanitation at 831-454-2160

NEW CONSTRUCTION

1) Are you proposing a completely new sewer lateral?

No. Yes. If yes, then:

Sewer laterals: Show the sanitary sewer lateral layout. Show all existing proposed lateral on a site plan.

Floor Plan and Plumbing Fixtures: Provide a floor plan labeling all the plumbing fixtures, clearly identified as either "existing, existing to be removed", or "proposed".

2) Are you proposing a new lateral connecting to an existing sewer lateral (e.g. connecting to a new ADU to an existing home's sewer lateral, or a new on-parcel lateral connecting to an older lateral in the street)?

No. Yes. If yes, then:

Show proposed and existing cleanouts and any backflow prevention devices on a site plan.

Have your plumber submit a video inspection of the existing sewer lateral.

Secure a separate sewer lateral repair permit from Public Works or include all the work as part of your permit plans.

3) Does the proposed new sewer lateral have to pass through any privately-owned parcel other than your own?

No. Yes. If so, does an easement exist through that adjacent parcel, entitling you to place your sewer lateral there?

Yes. If yes show that easement on the site plan and label it "existing sewer easement".

No. If no, then show an easement on the site plan and label it "proposed sewer easement". (Note: you have to show / prove that you have a legal easement, or a permit can't be issued.)

REMODELS / ADDITIONS

1) Is there a proposed remodel **or** addition to an existing building that is already served by an existing sewer lateral? (For this purpose, remodels are defined as projects with a change in the number of plumbing fixture units, and additions are defined as projects with an increase in the building square footage.)

No. Yes. If yes, then:

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Floor Plan and Plumbing Fixtures: Provide a floor plan labeling all the plumbing fixtures, clearly identified as either "existing, existing to be removed", or "proposed".

Have your plumber submit a video inspection of the existing sewer lateral.

DEMOLITION

Will a structure that is currently connected to the sanitary sewer system be moved or significantly demolished?

No. Yes. If yes, then:

Secure a separate sewer abandonment permit (no fee), directly from Public Works / Sanitation District. The sewer lateral must be properly abandoned, in accordance with County Design Criteria Figure SS-15, and inspected by the sanitation inspector prior to issuance of any demolition or building permit.