

Hamilton County Health Department

Financial Impact Statement for Hamilton County OSS Ordinance

Date: 06/26/2024

Ordinance Requirement¹	Ord. Section	Types of Systems Affected²	Increased Cost/System³	Comments
Contractor Registration	(b)	All OSS	Minimal, depending on the number of systems installed.	Registration fee is \$25 for the annual registration.
Connection to Sewer	(c)	If sewer is available and accessible within 300' of the property and cost not to exceed 150% of the cost of an OSS	Dependent on public utility in comparison with cost of OSS replacement	Used in conjunction with IC 13-26-5-2.5 allowing exemption
Minimum number of acceptable soil borings required	(d)(1)	All SAF separated by a segment drain	\$0 - \$150	Ensures all areas of the proposed absorption field have received the benefit of description by a soil scientist.
Scaled Plans	(d)(3)	All OSS submitted for permit	\$0	Common practice ensuring OSS can be accommodated on the parcel and meets required separation distances. \$0
House plan submittal with application for OSS	(d)(4)	New Construction and/or Remodel/Addition	No additional cost as these plans are required for building permits and are returned to the owner.	Bedroom and/or bedroom equivalent verification
Inspection using IOWPA form for reconnection to existing OSS	(e)	Existing OSS being considered for reconnection	\$700 - \$800 estimated contractor fee for inspection	OSS verification of type and functionality
Pre-installation Meeting	(f)	All OSS as deemed necessary	No increased cost as site should be laid out by the installer prior to installation.	Would not be used for every site. Only sites with limitations or restrictions that could compromise the integrity of the OSS.
Holding Tank Requirements	(j)	Holding tanks without soil absorption field for sewage disposal	Record document to parcel-\$25 Fee for the Hamilton County Recorder	2,000 gallon minimum or at least three times the DDF of the home, tank specifications and separation distances, capped tank, recorded to parcel, application procedures, renewal permit

Overall anticipated price increase for residential OSS:

Minimum \$ 0

Maximum \$ 800

¹ Briefly describe ordinance requirement.

² Describe what type(s) of systems that would be affected by this requirement. If it would apply to all systems, indicate ALL OSS.

³ Increased cost is per system.