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**Article 1. SEPTIC TANKS, CESSPOOLS, PRIVIES.**

**14-1. Construction prohibited.**

No person shall construct or install a cesspool, septic tank or privy in the City of Englewood.

**14-2. Abandoned or dangerous septic tanks, cesspools or privies.**

Whenever any premise contains a septic tank, cesspool, or privy which is abandoned or which the Department determines is in a dangerous condition, the same shall, upon notification to the owner thereof, be promptly pumped out and filled with clean earth by the owner or agent at the owner's expense.

**Article 2. PORTABLE TOILETS.**

**14-3. Permit required.**

No person, firm or corporation shall hereafter place or install a portable toilet in the City without first obtaining a permit from the Department to do so. Said applicant shall provide the following information as part of the permit application procedures:

- (a) owner of portable toilets
- (b) dates during which toilets are to be provided
- (c) proposed location of toilets
- (d) emptying and maintenance procedures.

**14-4. Location.**

No portable toilet shall be located within 200 feet of any commercial food service operation or any surface waterway.

**14-5. Design requirements.**

Portable toilets shall have watertight completely closed tanks for storage of wastes, shall be fly-proof, shall be adequately vented and shall be provided with cleanable seats.

**Article 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

**14-6. Nuisance.**

No person shall maintain a septic tank, cesspool, privy or portable toilet which creates a nuisance as a result of overflow, lack of absorption, or faulty design or construction.

**14-7. Emptying septic tanks, privies, cesspools or portable toilets.**

Every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of cleaning or emptying septic tanks, privies, cesspools, or portable toilets shall use, in such instances, a suitable vehicle properly provided with water-tight, completely closed tanks or boxes, designed to prevent leakage onto the street or highways within the City and further designed to prevent the escape of offensive odors into the atmosphere.

**14-8. Receptacles for human waste.**

No person shall maintain, use or permit to be used, any receptacle for human waste, unless such receptacle is so constructed and maintained that flies cannot gain access to the excremental matter contained therein, and unless such wastes shall, at all times, be prevented from flowing over or upon the surface of the ground.