

NOTICE

**STATE OF IOWA
"MANDATORY"
TIME OF TRANSFER SEPTIC SYSTEM INSPECTIONS
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009**

Effective July 1, 2009 prior to any transfer of ownership of a building where a person resides, congregates, or is employed that is served by a private sewage disposal system, the sewage disposal system serving the building **MUST BE INSPECTED**.

The inspection must be conducted by an Inspector **CERTIFIED** by Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

An inspection completed by an IDNR Certified Inspector is valid for a period of two years for any ownership transfers during that period 69.2(1)b

**NOTE: TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP WILL NOT OCCUR AFTER JULY 1, 2009 WITHOUT A
CERTIFIED SEPTIC INSPECTION!**

If a private sewage disposal system is failing to ensure effective wastewater treatment or is otherwise improperly functioning, the private sewage disposal system shall be renovated to meet current construction standards, as adopted by the IDNR, either by the seller, or by agreement, within a reasonable time period as determined by the county or the IDNR, by the buyer. If the private sewage disposal system is properly treating the wastewater and not creating an unsanitary condition in the environment at the time of inspection, the system is not required to meet current construction standards.

In the event that weather or other temporary physical conditions prevent the certified inspection from being conducted, the buyer shall execute and submit a binding acknowledgement with the county board of health to conduct a certified inspection of the private sewage disposal system at the earliest practicable time and to be responsible for any required modifications to the private sewage disposal system as identified by the certified inspector.

Reference to this rule can be found in the Iowa Code section 455B Time of Transfer Inspections.

Acknowledgement

Seller:		Date:	
Buyer:		Date:	
Witness:		Date:	