

Lifting the lid

on sewage systems

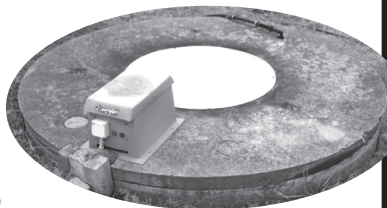
What is On Site Sewage Management?

If you own or rent a house that is not connected to the sewage system provided by Hunter Water, you will have some type of On Site Sewage Management (OSSM) system on the property.

Systems listed below provide storage, treatment and disposal of household wastewater and are all OSSMs.

- Septic tanks
- Aerated Wastewater Treatment Systems
- Holding tanks with pump out
- Wet composting toilets
- Grey water treatment systems

In most situations, OSSM systems dispose of all wastewater on site, therefore it is important that owners and occupants are aware of methods to effectively operate their system to prevent any health or environmental problems.



To assist owners, Council has an *Easy Septic Guide* detailing how to manage your system safely.

This guide and further information can be found at www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au or simply contact our OSSM staff on 4993 4100.