



# TOWN OF TOPSFIELD

## Board of Health

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## MEMO

TO: Zoning Board of Appeals

FROM: Wendy Hansbury, Health Director

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RE: Chapter 40B Comprehensive Permit Waiver Requests

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The Board of Health has discussed the local supplemental regulations in addition to Title 5, the State Environmental Code for onsite wastewater disposal systems in relation to the intent of the Department of Housing and Community Development's Chapter 40B regulations.

Please consider not waiving the following local Board of Health regulations for any 40B application:

Section 10: Reserve area requirements – area kept open so as not to preclude siting of a septic field at a later time.

Section 13: Percolation rate of 30 minutes per inch

Please consider requiring the local regulations be met to the greatest extent possible to provide continuous neighborhood characteristics for properties around any proposed development.

The applicant will be required to submit septic system design plans in compliance with Title 5 and the Comprehensive Permit Approval.

Link to local regulations: <https://www.topsfeld-ma.gov/board-health/files/topsfeld-supplemental-regulations-amended-8-28-2014>

Thank you for your consideration. Please let us know if the Board has any questions.