

**TOWN OF MASHPEE  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

**BENCHMARK POLICY**

A benchmark elevation must be established on a permanent object and shown on all subsurface disposal system plans.

This benchmark must be visible for all disposal system component locations and the foundation sewer outlet site. The benchmark must be located where it will not be destroyed during the septic system installation period.

The elevation of the groundwater, if encountered and the elevation of the bottom of the leaching facility shall be recorded on the “as built” plan relative to the permanent benchmark elevation.

Engineers and installer shall verify the elevation of all components of the subsurface disposal system at the time of installation, prior to backfilling and certification.

The installer must have a properly calibrated transit or engineer’s level setup on-site during the installation of the subsurface disposal system.

This Policy was adopted August 9, 1990.

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