

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 16, 1980

TO: Borough Superintendents

FROM: Irwin Fruchtman, P.E., Commissioner 

SUBJECT: Soil Absorption Tests for Septic Tanks in Natural Area Districts

Herewith forwarded is a copy of correspondence received from Counsel to the Planning Commission, dated April 2, 1980, regarding the scope of site work that may be authorized in natural area districts to the extent of conducting a soil absorption test without certification by the Planning Commission pursuant to Section 105-021 of the Zoning Resolution.

I concur with the recommendations of the enclosed letter of April 2, 1980, except that the statement alluded to in the accompanying letter in Item 4 shall be required to be submitted by the applicant on his amendment submitting the survey; and, shall indicate that verification of conformance with the limitations specified in the enclosed letter, and the pertinent provisions of Chapter 5 of Article 10 of the Zoning Resolution shall be the responsibility of the architect or engineer responsible for controlled inspection of the percolation tests set forth in Section P113.9 of Reference Standard RS-16 of the Building Code, as well as the percolation test itself. Further, the person designated for controlled inspection shall be required to be noted and submitted on an accompanying Form 10F together with said amendment and the survey referred to in the enclosure.

Irwin Fruchtman, P.E.
Commissioner

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