

ORDINANCE NUMBER 20.

ORDINANCE REGULATING SEWAGE DISPOSAL IN THE
UNINCORPORATED AREAS IN WALLA WALLA COUNTY.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, State of Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Every residence or business building located outside of incorporated towns in Walla Walla County shall be provided with modern, water-flush toilets with the following exceptions; privies may be used for a reasonable length of time during construction of a building; farmsteads in non-populous areas may be exempted; other exceptions only by written permission from the Walla Walla City-County Health Department.

Section 2. Sewage and other liquid wastes shall not be permitted to drain onto the surface of the ground or into any natural or artificial body of water, or into a cesspool, but shall drain into an approved septic tank which shall in no case be less than five hundred (500) gallons capacity. Where possible, septic tanks shall be equipped with tile drainage fields of adequate length which shall be laid on six (6) inches of coarse gravel in trenches of eighteen (18 inches wide and at a depth of not less than eighteen inches or more than thirty (30) inches. The tile lines shall be laid with an even slope of one (1) inch to twenty (20) feet. Drain tile shall consist of: (1) 1-foot section of 4 inch tile, with $\frac{1}{4}$ inch space between sections and openings covered with tar paper or, (2) perforated drain tile. Shallow sumps may be permitted at the end of the drain field. It shall be unlawful to install a dry well for sewage disposal in areas where water-producing wells are located or where there is any danger of polluting the ground water. Where sink or laundry waste is carried in separate pipes from domestic sewage, such wastes may be disposed of in seepage pits.

Section 3. The County Health Officer, or his representative, shall have authority to inspect all private sewage disposal systems and when a system is found to be in violation of Section 1 of this resolution, or constitutes a health menace, or in his opinion is likely to create a health menace due to improper construction, he shall have authority to require the necessary alteration to reasonably assure proper operation.

Section 4. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Resolution shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred (100) dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.

Section 5. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or void, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.

AND BE IT RESOLVED: That the provisions of this resolution become effective as of October 7th, 1952.

Dated this 6th day of October, 1952.

Orin M. Walker

Chairman, Board of County
Commissioners of Walla Walla
County, Washington.

Attest:

Walter Kimmerly,
County Auditor and Ex-officio
Clerk of the Board.