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**NOTICE:** **Small Sewage Treatment Systems operated by Clubs with Mountain Huts in England and Wales**

**Septic Tank Regulations 2020**

Septic tanks discharging into surface water Under the new Environment Agency General Binding Rules any septic tank treatment system that discharges directly to surface water such as a ditch, stream, river etc. must be replaced or upgraded to a full sewage treatment plant for example by installing a package treatment plant by **1st January 2020.**

Septic tanks discharging into the ground via drainage field systems Septic tanks discharging into drainage field systems (infiltration) are not affected by the Septic Tank Regulations 2020 provided they do not contaminate private water supplies, SSS1s or SPZs.

See revised Guideline 16.1 Small Sewage Discharges (E & W)

Note: Registration England – Environment Agency does not register septic tanks. Wales – Septic tanks or package treatment plants must be registered with Natural Resources Wales

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