

Installing and maintaining your septic system

Installing or altering an onsite wastewater management system (such as a septic tank) requires a permit from your local council.

Proper installation and maintenance helps prevent harm to the environment and public health.

Old systems and poor maintenance can lead to issues like:

- Pollution of nearby creeks and rivers
- Contaminated land
- Offensive odours.

If you own or use an onsite wastewater system, the General Environmental Duty (GED) applies to you.

You have a legal responsibility to operate the system properly - such as not overloading it. To keep your system working well, landowners should schedule regular maintenance - such as pumping out.

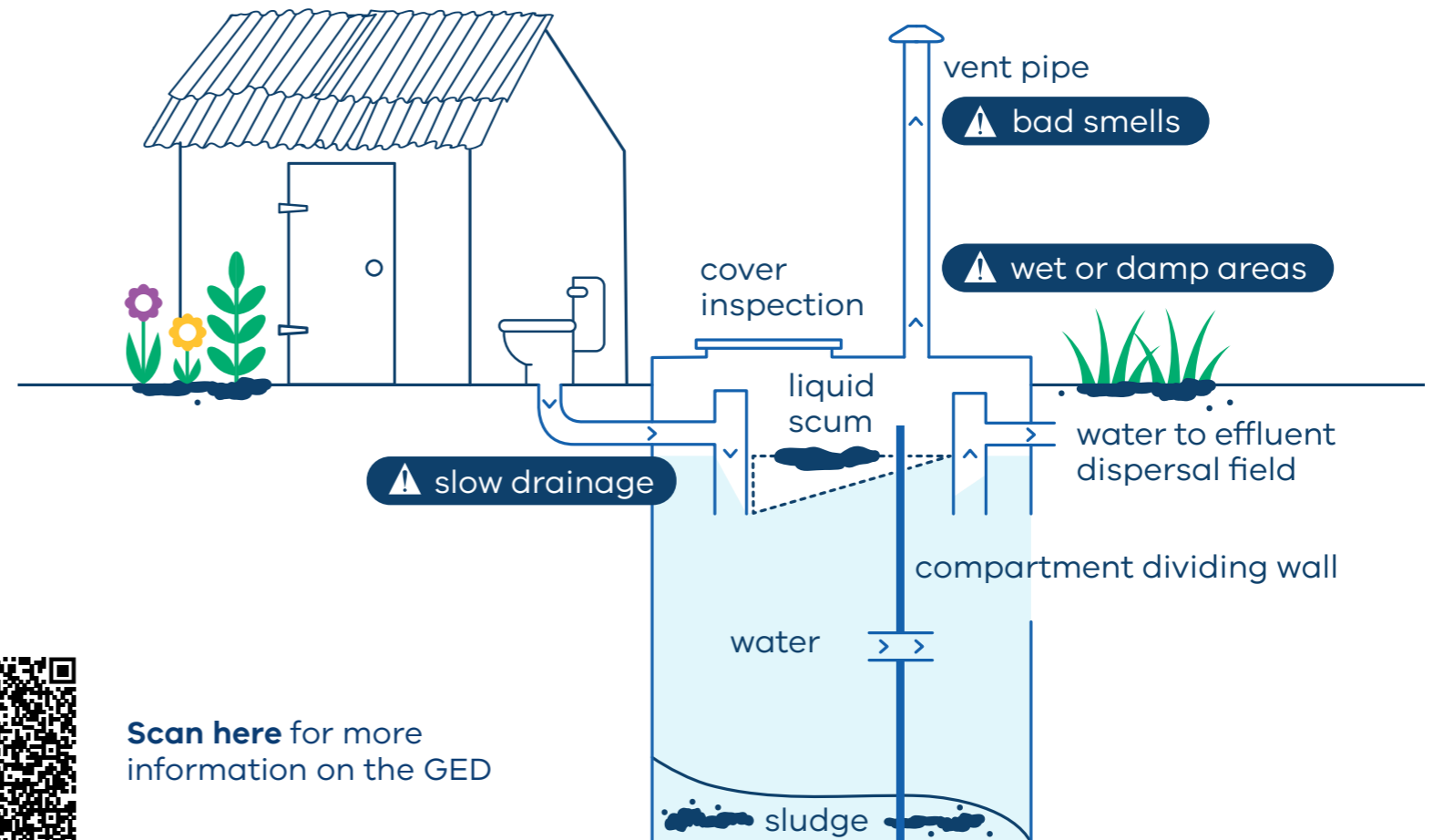


Scan here for more information on system installation, maintenance, and reporting requirements.



Scan here for more information on the GED

 **Report issues to council**
Failure to maintain your system or report issues may result in penalties.



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