

## Is your septic tank secure?

Children and pets can fall into septic tanks, leading to injury or death. But these accidents are avoidable! Practice lid safety and get a secondary safety device; a low-cost investment could save a life.



## Make sure your tank's lid is safe

- Install secure lids that are screwed shut and do not have cracks or other issues.
- · Clearly mark access points and lids.
- · Curious children may open lids that are not secure.
- Limit access and teach children why it's important to avoid the area.



## Get a fall-catching device

- A safety device can stop a child or pet from falling into your tank. Things go wrong even when properly maintained!
- They range from \$30-150.

## If someone falls into a tank...

- Call 911 immediately. Tell them someone fell into a septic tank and request confined space rescue.
- · Remove or prop open the lid.
- Do not enter the tank.
- Attempt rescue using a long pole, rope, or ladder to help them climb out or hook their clothing to pull them out.
- · Remove clothing and rinse the person off.
- Seek medical attention immediately.



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