

# HAMILTON BOARD OF HEALTH

## **POLICY**

(Rev. September 19, 2012)

### ON THE USE OF MULTICOMPARTMENT SEPTIC TANKS AND DEP APPROVED EFFLUENT FILTER

All new construction and repairs to any residential, commercial, existing or proposed septic systems shall include at a minimum:

- One two-compartment septic tank of required capacity
- One effluent filter to be located in the final outlet tee of the tank
- Tank cover to grade to access the filter
- Educational material (provided by the BOH) on the maintenance of the filters.
- Whenever effluent filters are used, the leach area shall be vented

*The use of effluent filters have been beneficial in prolonging the longevity of soil absorption systems by removing the suspended solids which are the prime cause of premature failure of onsite septic systems.*