

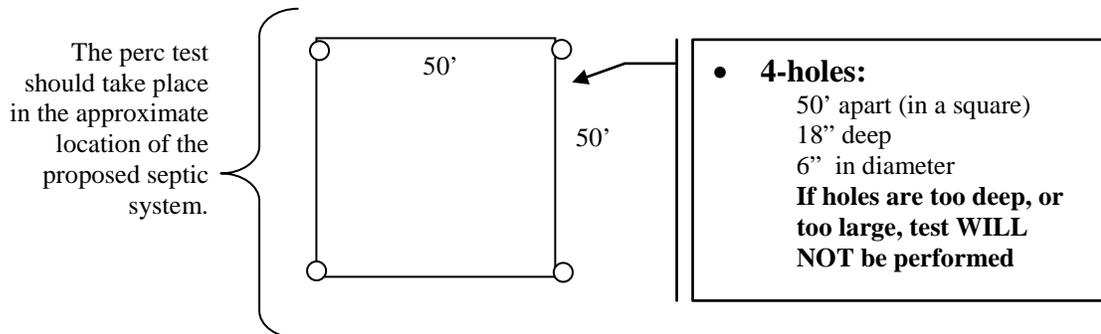
## THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR A SEPTIC PERMIT

BOONE COUNTY  
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
HEALTH AND SANITATION

Courthouse  
201 State Street  
Boone, Iowa 50036  
515-433-0550

### To obtain a Septic Permit, you must complete the following:

1. Prepare for a percolation test as follows:



2. Contact the Planning and Development Department to make an appointment for staff to perform a percolation test and soil analysis.
3. Fill each hole with water 12-18 hours before the percolation test. “Flooding” simulates the wet season, which will aid in preventing septic system back-ups in the future.
4. **Place a 5-gallon bucket, full of water, next to each of the 4 holes for the scheduled percolation test. If no buckets of water are at the site, staff WILL NOT perform the percolation test. It is the applicant’s responsibility to make sure adequate water is available to complete the test.**
5. After performing the percolation test and soil analysis, staff will issue a Septic Permit, which states the required system, size of septic tank needed, and any other information that is relevant to your system. Make sure the contractor is given a copy.
6. After the system has been installed, a final inspection must be made. Please allow adequate time for an appointment to be scheduled. The Health and Sanitation Department **MUST** be contacted prior to covering any portion of the system.
7. **Contact ONE-CALL (1-800-292-8989) for underground line locates before you dig.**