

Rules for Attendance at Meetings of the State Board On-Site Wastewater Professionals

I. Public Attendance

A. At any meeting of the Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals (the "Board"), the public is invited to attend and observe.

B. Except in instances when the Board expressly invites public testimony, questions, comments, or other forms of public participation, or when public participation is otherwise authorized by law, no member of the public attending an open session may participate in the session.

II. Identification Requirement

A. For security reasons, when meetings are held in person, the Board requests that all attendees sign in at the Board's open meeting.

B. For security reasons, when meetings are held virtually, the Board requires attendees to verbally identify themselves as a member of the public.

1. At virtual meetings, if an attendee does not verbally identify themselves as a member of the public, the presiding officer may disconnect the caller.

III. Disruptive Conduct

A. A person attending an open meeting of the Board may not engage in any conduct including visual demonstrations such as the waving of placards, signs, or banners, that disrupts the session or that interferes with the right of members of the public to attend and observe the session.

B. The presiding officer may order any person who persists in conduct prohibited by these procedures or who violates any other regulation concerning the conduct of the open meeting to be removed from the open meeting.

C. The presiding officer may recess the meeting while order is restored.