

Massachusetts home owner

“Our well is our #1 home asset. - Nothing is more important to our quality of life than a safe dependable water supply.”

Understanding the reliability of the water supply of a property, or the water supply potential of an undeveloped parcel, is an essential aspect of establishing value and sale price.

Housing pressure in rural areas is adding to demands, and water quality and quantity issues are appearing with more frequency in the news. Buyers are sensitive and concerned with reliability and health-related aspects of a property's water supply.

How to measure well yield; what to do about bacteria, iron, hardness, the liability implications for abandoned wells and when to call for the opinion of a well professional are examples of buyer and seller questions.

The program covers the fundamental aspects of water wells as drinking water sources for residential properties.

Knowing the answers to well questions and having a reliable independent source of information for client referral can help with property marketing and closing.

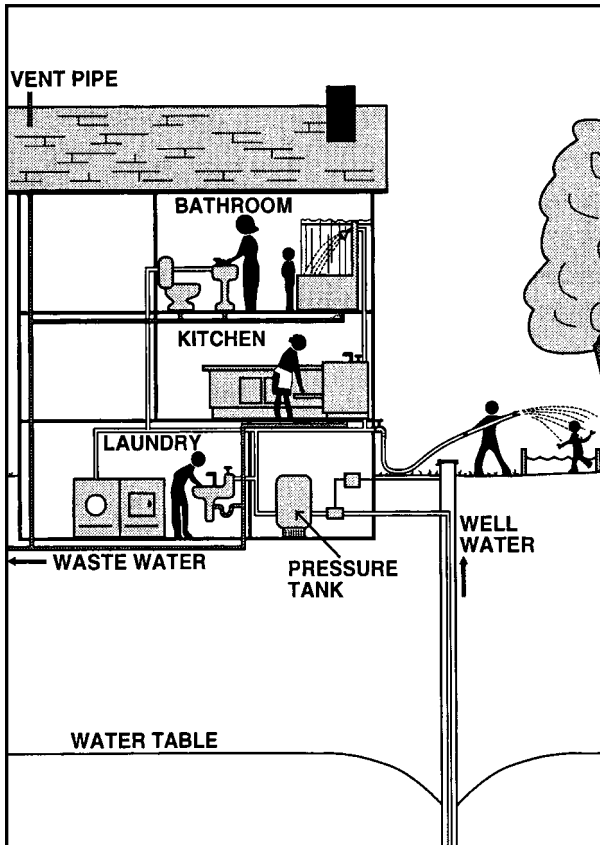
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CEU Approval

Residential Water Wells and Drinking Water is a three-hour training program that has been approved in NH, ME, CT, & VT for Real Estate Continuing Education - 3 Credit Hours.

Home owner awareness and concern about water supply cost, reliability and quality is growing nationwide.



A properly constructed and maintained reliable independent well-based water system is a great selling point for rural and suburban properties.

Real Estate Professionals

American Ground Water Trust experts have made training presentations on ground water, water wells and water systems at the annual conference of the National Association of REALTORS®, North Country Board of Realtors® (NH), Seacoast Board of Realtors® (NH), Strafford County Board of Realtors® (NH), New Milford Board of Realtors® (CT) and the Annual Conference of the American Society of Home Inspectors

Home buyers recognize the value of a safe and reliable well water supply. This workshop program provides “user-friendly” answers about self-supplied water for all professionals involved in property descriptions and transactions.



The program gives insight to the complete water supply picture: well drilling, water pumps, water testing, conditioning equipment, maintenance needs, septic systems and the dependability of the well supply.

GOOD WELLS SELL HOMES

SOLD!

Comments

The session helped me to understand wells and septic systems ... Good Job!

Realtor, Whitefield, New Hampshire

..... explained things in such a way that a normal person would understand.

Realtor, Colebrook, New Hampshire

A lot of material to cover in 3 hours, but the speaker was well prepared and credible.

Realtor, Littleton, New Hampshire

Great Speaker - Very Knowledgeable

Realtor, Berlin, New Hampshire

No matter how long we are in the business there is always more to learn

Vermont Realtor

A million dollar home with no water ain't worth a million dollars!

Connecticut Real Estate Broker

Benefits from attending:

1. Awareness of water well system "red flags."
2. Understanding how the components of a home water system (well, pump, piping, pressure tank, conditioning equipment) work together.
3. Understanding why there are regional and local differences in well yield, water quality and the costs of wells.
4. Information about water quality issues that have affected some wells in northeast states (arsenic, radon, MTBE, PFOA).
5. Post-course access to the program instructors for questions and information.
6. Having the American Ground Water Trust as a non-commercial source of objective water well information to refer buyer or seller enquiries.
7. Receiving a program completion certificate "Residential Water Wells and Drinking Water"

Program Content

Where is the ground water and how much?

- Regional and local geology
- Overview of ground water concepts
- How is ground water stored – Aquifer types
- Ground water as a supply source for drinking water

What might be in the water?

- The origin and occurrence of natural contaminants:
 - Arsenic, Radon, Fluoride, Bacteria
- Water testing – What to test for?
- How to interpret basic water quality tests

ABCs of how to fix water quality

- How to treat common water quality issues:
 - Iron
 - Sulfur
 - Hardness
 - Natural Contaminants
- Point of use – Point of entry treatment systems
- Maintenance of conditioning equipment

New wells and replacement wells

- Well Drilling and Well Construction Practices
 - Selecting well drilling sites
 - Well drilling and construction methods
 - Solutions to low yielding wells
 - Explanation of residential well systems from aquifer to tap

Where does the water go?

- Onsite Wastewater Disposal
 - Septic tank and leach field basics
 - Water quality and on-site waste water disposal issues

How much well-based build-out can there be?

- Quality & quantity issues
- Ground water storage capacity
- Sources of information about ground water and water wells

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Continuing Education for Professionals

WATER WELLS and DRINKING WATER



A training program from the American Ground Water Trust



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