

REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN AN OWNER NUMBER

Registration Requirements for New **Domestic** Owners (One Well Ownership)

I. **THE EXEMPT DOMESTIC WELL OWNER CRITERIA**

1. The owner of the estate of tract, on which the well is located, owns the well. In other words, the person(s) signing this form must own the property and the right to appropriate the gas for their own use.
2. The well must be primarily used to provide gas for the owner's domestic use. A well primarily supplying gas to rental properties, businesses or residences adjacent to the tract, which the well is located, does not qualify as a domestic well.
3. The well must be more than 200 feet from any inhabited private dwelling house, not located on the tract on which the well is located.
4. The well must be more than 200 feet from any public building.

If you do not meet the criteria for # 3 or # 4, you will still qualify as an "Exempt Domestic Well Owner", but you must provide the Division of Mineral Resources Management with proof of insurance. Please contact the Division for insurance requirements.

II. **AUTHORITY AND ORGANIZATION FORM (FORM 9)**

The owner must complete the Authority and Organization Form. Follow the instructions on the back of the enclosed form.

III. **EXEMPT DOMESTIC WELL OWNERS BONDING REQUIREMENTS**

(Choose from **one** of the following options)

- **Financial Statement** (Form 3A, enclosed) - The Chief of the Division of Mineral Resources Management may accept proof of financial responsibility consisting of a sworn Financial Statement showing the well owner has sufficient financial resources in Ohio to plug the well if needed. The financial information must be periodically updated upon request by the Division of Mineral Resources Management; or
- **\$ 50.00 One-time fee** - In lieu of a Financial Statement. Please make check payable to the Division of Mineral Resources Management.

If an Exempt Domestic Well Owner wants to acquire **more than one well**, please contact the Division at (614) 265-6922 for a "Non-Domestic Well Owner" package.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

In order for a well(s) to be placed under a new owner number, the Division of Mineral Resources Management must receive and approve a "Request for Change of Owner Form" (Form 7, enclosed) executed by the Assignor/Transferor and Assignee/Transferee.