



## WHAT IS THE SPANC?

The SPANC (Non-Collective Public Sanitation Service) is a **local public service**, of an industrial and commercial nature, which provides **non-collective sanitation services**.

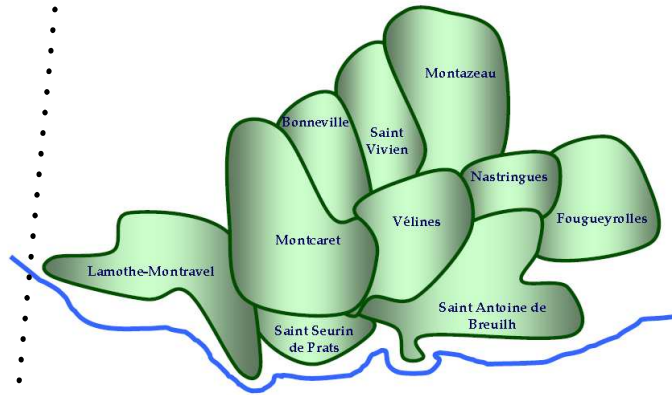


The SPANC's main objective is to **monitor the discharge of household waste water and sewage in scattered settlements** by making the public aware of the obligation to install good-quality sanitation facilities, and of the necessity to maintain these in good working order.

The **service informs and advises you** on the new regulations, the techniques to be implemented and the maintenance of your sanitation facility.



## OUR TERRITORY



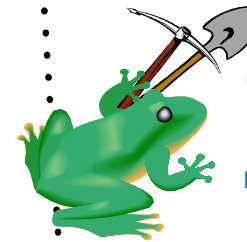
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# THE DISTRICT COUNCIL'S ("COMMUNES") RESPONSIBILITIES AND YOUR OBLIGATIONS

## The district council's responsibilities

According to the **1992 and 2006 Water Acts, and to the Decree of 6 May 1996**, district councils are responsible for **monitoring non-collective sanitation facilities** upon their installation and ensuring that they remain in good working order. The district councils have therefore delegated their **sanitation competence to Communauté de Communes de Montaigne en Montravel** with the creation of the SPANC.

## Your obligations

If you are planning to build or to renovate a residence, you are strictly obliged to **treat your household waste water and sewage** before it is returned to the natural environment, in order to **preserve the environment**.

If there are **no collective sanitation facilities** near your residence, you must have **your own non-collective sanitation facility** which will treat your household waste water and sewage directly on your land. You will be responsible for maintaining your facility in good working order.

Your facility will only be efficient if it has been conceived and installed correctly. To ensure that this is the case, you must **choose a sanitation network that is adapted** to the specificities of your land and your project.



## THE SPANC'S MISSION

### TOWN PLANNING CERTIFICATE ("CERTIFICAT D'URBANISME")

The SPANC informs you about the **soil's purification capacity** and consequently on whether it is possible to install a non-collective sanitation facility.

### PLANNING OR RENOVATION PERMISSION ("PERMIS DE CONSTRUIRE OU REHABILITATION")

DESIGN INSPECTION: the SPANC's technician checks that **your project is in conformity with regulations** (the sanitation facility is adapted to the soil type, dimensions of the work, area of land, slope, evacuation, etc.).

CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION: the technician carries out this inspection **during the work** in order to check that the sanitation network corresponds to the project and that the **installation is in conformity with regulations**.

### TRANSFERS AND DIAGNOSIS OF GOOD WORKING ORDER ("CESSION ET DIAGNOSTIC DE BON FONCTIONNEMENT")

PERIODIC INSPECTIONS: the SPANC's technician will come periodically to check your current sanitation facility's condition and good working order.

INSPECTION UPON HOUSE SALE : upon the transfer of a house, the technician will come to verify the sanitation facility's condition and good working order.

## THE SPANC'S FEES

In conformity with the 1992 and 2006 Water Acts and current regulations, the SPANC is **obliged to balance its budget**. Consequently, a fee will be charged for each service provided.

A €350 fee will be charged for the sanitation part of planning permission requests, to be paid in two instalments: €100 at planning permission request and €250 when the work is declared to have begun ("Déclaration de commencement des travaux"). This fee comprises advice given, the opinion on the sanitation facility request, visits to the work site and issue of a certificate certifying that the finished sanitation facility is in conformity with regulations.

A **€60 fee** will be charged for the first periodic inspection of **the sanitation facility's good working order**.

In the case of a renovation, after the diagnosis performed by HYDROCONSEIL, a €60 fee is charged for the design inspection and construction inspection of the new sanitation facility.

## PERIODIC INSPECTIONS OF GOOD WORKING ORDER

This inspection applies to all existing installations that are not connected to collective sanitation facilities.

The aim of the inspection is to monitor all sanitation facilities to ensure that they are in good working order and that they are maintained regularly, with particular attention to where treated household waste water is discharged.

### What will the HYDROCONSEIL technician be inspecting?

Once an appointment has been made, the technician will inspect:

- the sanitation facility's condition;
- the efficient drainage of household waste water and sewage into the purification network;
- the normal accumulation of mud inside the septic tank.

### Why?

- to monitor and make an inventory of existing sanitation facilities;
- to diagnose those installations that could present public hygiene or environmental risks, in order to prevent diffuse pollution.

### After the inspection

Users who have had their sanitation facility inspected will receive an inspection report comprised of:

- a description of the facility and its environment;
- a drawing of the sanitation facility;
- advice on maintenance or improvements to be made.

In the case of a renovation, a form must be filled in and the SPANC technician contacted **BEFORE ANY WORK IS UNDERTAKEN**.

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