

# SEPTIC TANK



# Facts

An **individual** system

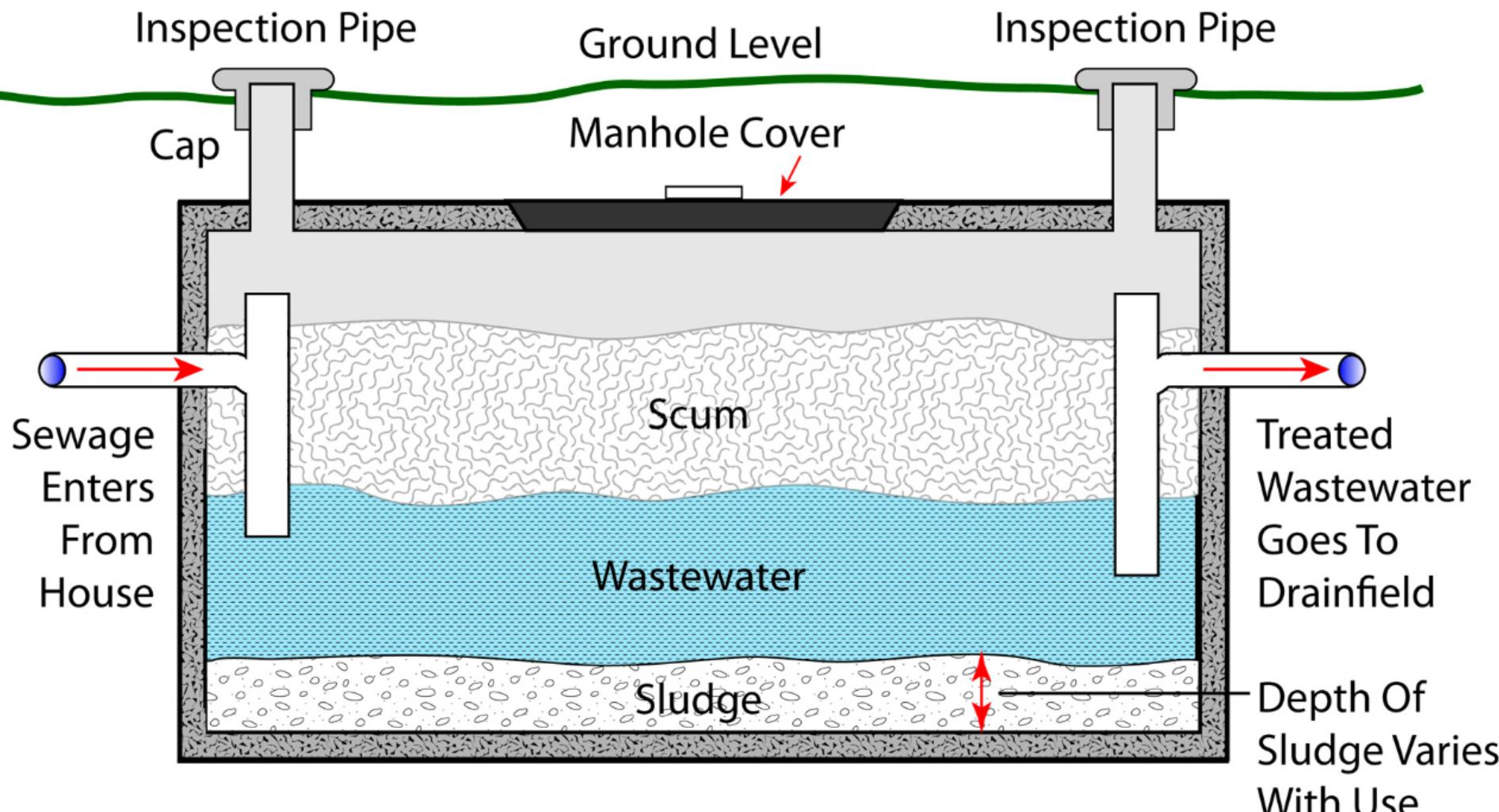
Receive wastewater from **toilet** or **wash-basin**

Digestion occurs **anaerobically**

The tank acts as a **digestion reactor** and **sedimentation tank**

Sludge/biomass and oil, grease/fat need to be **removed** from the tank from time to time





# Schematic of a Septic Tank



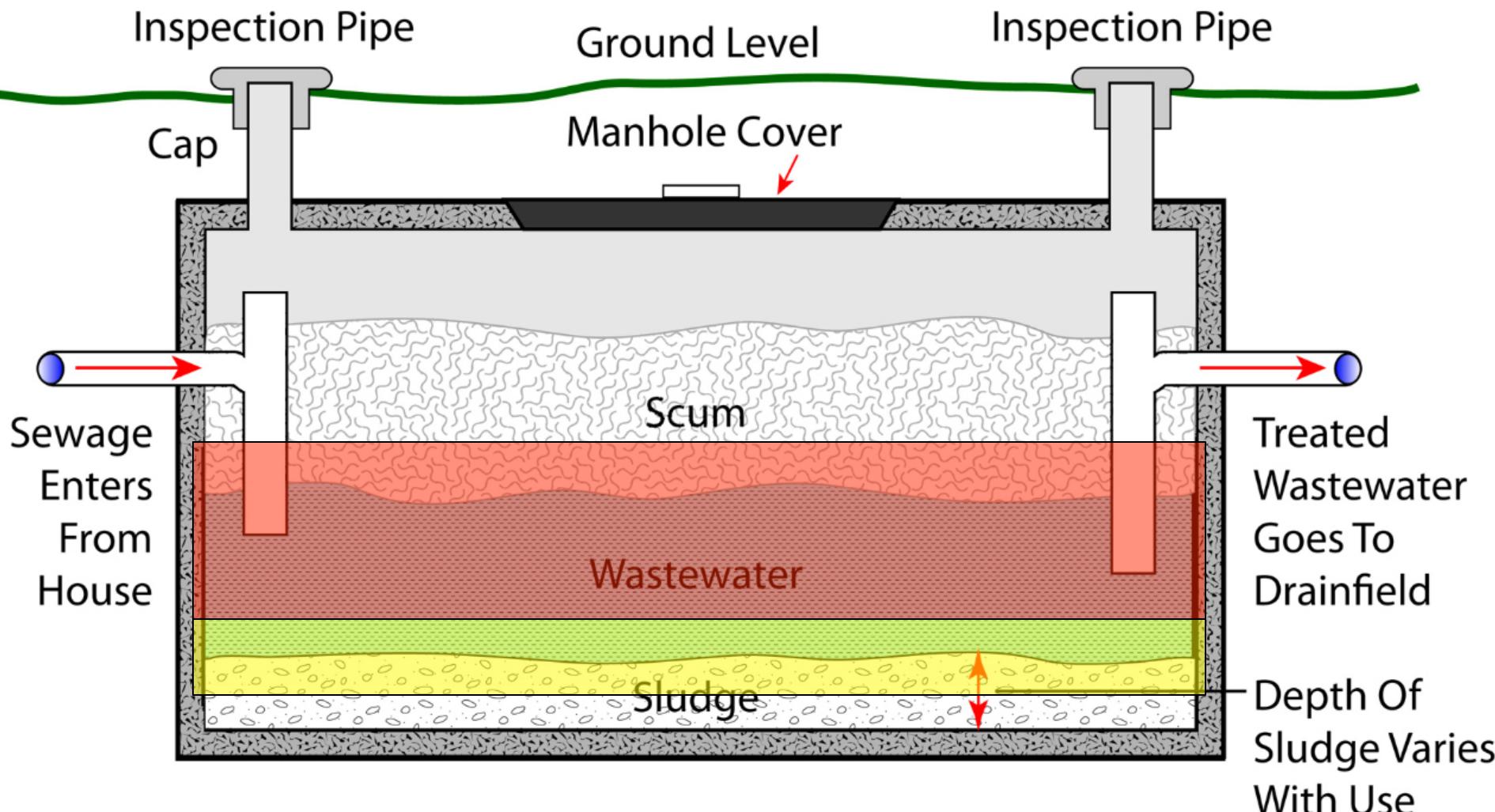






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# Design



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# Typical Design Value

**Waste-  
water  
flow rate**

**225 L/**

**person/day**

**or**

**70%**

**of water supplied**



# Waste- water HRT

1 – 3

days



**Sludge  
generation  
rate**

**30**  
**L/person/year**



# Sludge HRT

1 – 3

years



Length-to-  
width  
ratio

2:1  
to  
3:1



Side  
water  
depth

1.2 m  
to  
1.8 m



Free-  
board  
height 0.5 m



# Soil Absorption System

Method to discharge treated wastewater

Soil acts as a **natural filter**

Suitability of the system:

Groundwater level

Soil porosity

