Septic System Permitting Options

Onsite wastewater system applications are processed on a first come, first serve basis from the date that you activate your application.

**Option 1**

Applicant may apply through the Department's traditional permitting method for an onsite wastewater (septic) system.

**Option 2**

Applicant may hire both a Professional Soil Classifier and Licensed Professional Engineer to evaluate the site and design a system standard under Regulation 61-56. An application, certified soil report, and septic system design must then be submitted to the Department. The Professional Soil Classifier will also need to complete [DHEC Form 3269 - Soil Report Verification](https://llr.sc.gov/soil) (not to be utilized for 610 system standard) which should be submitted with the application. Visit [https://llr.sc.gov/soil](https://llr.sc.gov/soil) to find a Professional Soil Classifier, and visit [https://llr.sc.gov/eng](https://llr.sc.gov/eng) to find a Licensed Professional Engineer. Depending on staff availability, this option may reduce the amount of time that it takes to process your application.

**Option 3**

Applicant may hire a Professional Soil Classifier to conduct a soil evaluation on the site. An application and certified soil report must then be submitted to the Department. The Professional Soil Classifier will also need to complete [DHEC Form 3269 - Soil Report Verification](https://llr.sc.gov/soil) which should be submitted with the application. Depending on staff availability, this option may reduce the amount of time that it takes to process your application.

Please note: Weather conditions may affect processing times as saturated soil conditions will negatively impact soil evaluations.