

Alaska Septic Contractor License Roadmap

Certified Installer with qualifying contractor license

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Step-by-step roadmap

1. Identify the applicable installer pathway

Homeowner approval is a separate, limited pathway. It does not authorize a business to install systems for customers.

2. Prepare the qualification records

Provide the qualifying contractor license. Employees also need a signed authorization from that contractor. Follow the 2026 initial course instructions, including online instruction and the soils course; DEC describes conditional certification while the new soils course becomes available.

3. Complete the applicable assessment and filing

DEC requires approved training and examination. The course page lists \$100 tuition; this is a training charge, not a complete contractor licensing price.

4. Obtain the project approvals

Identify the permitting authority for the property, secure the required approved plans and construction authorization, and arrange inspections before covering the work. Keep the occupational credential separate from the site approval.

5. Track the applicable renewal requirements

Use DEC's current certification renewal and refresher instructions. The course page distinguishes current installers from people whose qualifying examination was within the preceding two years. Confirm the expiration on the certificate and any required soils training.

Pre-application checklist

- Work scope and responsible authority identified
- Applicable qualification records prepared
- Required examination, training, and application completed
- Current fee and insurance requirements checked
- Site approval and inspection arrangements obtained
- Actual credential expiration and renewal requirements recorded

Key figures

Application fee: Not established; see fee guidance

Examination: Required

Examination fee: Not established; confirm with provider

Initial license: Not established; see fee guidance

Renewal: Not established; see fee guidance; confirm the applicable renewal cycle

Estimated total cost: DEC lists \$100 course tuition. Contractor licensing, project approvals, and any other charges are separate; a complete initial or renewal total is not established here.

Time to license: Depends on the selected pathway, qualification review, and local project approvals. No complete end-to-end timeframe is established here.

Fee scope: The reviewed sources do not establish a complete current fee schedule for this pathway. Obtain the current application and renewal amounts from the issuing authority. Local project charges, training, insurance, and business costs are separate; unspecified amounts are not zero-cost exemptions.

Renewal details: Use DEC's current certification renewal and refresher instructions. The course page distinguishes current installers from people whose qualifying examination was within the preceding two years. Confirm the expiration on the certificate and any required soils training.

Continuing education: Confirm the education requirements for the actual credential or local authorization. No unverified number of continuing-education hours is quoted here.

Primary sources

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation — Course: <https://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/engineering/course-registration/>
DEC — wastewater regulations, 18 AAC 72: <https://dec.alaska.gov/media/k3zjcd04/18-aac-72.pdf>

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