

Colorado Septic Contractor License Roadmap

Local OWTS systems-contractor authorization

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Step-by-step roadmap

1. Identify the applicable installer pathway

Jefferson County's Form 501 homeowner process and Form 600 system-cleaner process are different from its professional installer application.

2. Prepare the qualification records

In Jefferson County, use Form 500, Systems Contractor Application and Test. For a project elsewhere, obtain the corresponding county or district requirements rather than submitting Jefferson County's paperwork.

3. Complete the applicable assessment and filing

Jefferson County provides a contractor application and test. Examination requirements elsewhere must be checked with that local OWTS authority.

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

Track the expiration and renewal requirements of each local contractor authorization. Confirm fees and any ongoing training with the issuing authority; a single statewide renewal amount is not established by these county sources.

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: Depends on pathway

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: 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.

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: Track the expiration and renewal requirements of each local contractor authorization. Confirm fees and any ongoing training with the issuing authority; a single statewide renewal amount is not established by these county sources.

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

Jefferson County Public Health / local OWTS authorities — Local: <https://www.jeffco.us/2379/Septic-Systems>
Jefferson County — 2026 OWTS regulations: <https://www.jeffco.us/DocumentCenter/View/58093>

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