

Indiana Septic Contractor License Roadmap

Local onsite sewage installer requirements

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Step-by-step roadmap

1. Identify the applicable installer pathway

State sewage-construction standards and a proposed statewide registration rule are different from a currently issued county installer registration.

2. Prepare the qualification records

Porter County's published process, effective January 24, 2025, requires each installer's IOWPA certification, a company certificate of insurance, and a \$50 registration fee. This is a county example; obtain the actual requirements for other counties.

3. Complete the applicable assessment and filing

Meet the certification or examination requirements imposed by the applicable local authority. Porter County's IOWPA credential requirement is not represented here as an enacted statewide installer examination.

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

Confirm local registration expiration, renewal charges, and certification maintenance. Monitor IDOH's rulemaking page for adopted changes rather than applying a proposed rule before its effective date.

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: Confirm local registration expiration, renewal charges, and certification maintenance. Monitor IDOH's rulemaking page for adopted changes rather than applying a proposed rule before its effective date.

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

[Indiana Department of Health / local health departments](https://www.in.gov/health/eph/onsite-sewage-systems-) — Program: <https://www.in.gov/health/eph/onsite-sewage-systems->

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[Indiana Department of Health / local health departments — Local: https://www.in.gov/localhealth/portercounty/environmental-health/septic-systems/registered-onsite-sewage-system-installers/](#)
[IDOH — rulemaking notices: https://www.in.gov/health/directory/office-of-the-commissioner/rules/](#)

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