

Louisiana Septic Contractor License Roadmap

Basic / Combination onsite wastewater installer

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Step-by-step roadmap

1. Identify the applicable installer pathway

Combination fees include the Basic component; do not add a second Basic charge to the stated combined total. A maintenance role adds a separate scope.

2. Prepare the qualification records

Use LDH's installer application and instructions, including the affidavit and insurance documentation. For mechanical systems, obtain the required manufacturer endorsements and the Combination authority. Confirm current training arrangements through the parish sanitarian or LDH program.

3. Complete the applicable assessment and filing

The cited application materials do not establish one examination format for every installer route. Confirm the training, manufacturer qualification, and any examination required for the license being sought.

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

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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: Confirm with authority

Examination fee: Not established; confirm with provider

Initial license: \$100.00

Renewal: \$100.00; every 1 year(s)

Estimated total cost: Basic traditional-system license: \$100 annually. Basic plus Combination totals \$200; Basic, Combination, and maintenance totals \$300. Manufacturer training, insurance, and site permits are separate.

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

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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

Louisiana Department of Health — Program: <https://ldh.la.gov/page/wastewater>

Louisiana Department of Health — Instructions: <https://ldh.la.gov/assets/oph/Center-EH/sanitarian/onsitewastewater/INSTRUCTIONSFORINSTALLERAPPLICATIONS.pdf>

Louisiana Department of Health — App: <https://ldh.la.gov/assets/oph/Center-EH/sanitarian/onsitewastewater/Installer-Licensing-Application-7-1-25-rev.pdf>

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