

Subsurface Sewage Disposal System CLEANER Exam Information

1. Applications, forms and other licensing information can be found on the Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) [Environmental Practitioner Licensure website](#).
2. To be eligible to take the CLEANER exam, a Cleaner License Application must be submitted to CT DPH.
3. The application must include an applicant's legal name as it appears on their photo identification.
4. The Cleaner Exam is offered at a PSI test center. To sit for the exam, you will need to schedule an appointment and make a payment of \$50 to PSI. CT DPH will send you more detailed instructions, including test center locations, once your application has been approved.
5. Exam time allowed is 1 hours. Passing score is 80 or higher.
6. The exam is closed book. Notes or electronic devices, including cell phones, cannot be used during the exam.
7. The exam consists of 25 true/false questions.

Study Material

The following documents should be used as study material when preparing for the CLEANER exam. All documents can be viewed or downloaded free from the [Subsurface Sewage - Environmental Engineering website](#).

1. *CT PHC Regulations and Technical Standards for Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems*
 - PHC Sections 19-13-B103b, c and f
 - Technical Standards Section V (Septic Tanks and Grease Interceptor Tanks)
2. *Design Manual - Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems for Households and Small Commercial Buildings*
 - Chapters 1, 8, 9 and 29

Additional training: The Connecticut Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (COWRA) offers a preparation course for the Septic Cleaner exam. For more information, including the cost of the training, please visit the [COWRA website](#) or call them directly at (860) 267-1057.