

59A: Waitsfield silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes

The Waitsfield component makes up 85 percent of the map unit. The natural drainage class is well drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is moderately high. This component is on flood plains on river valleys. The parent material consists of coarse-loamy alluvium over sandy and gravelly alluvium. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches.

Important farmland classification: Prime (f)	Land capability: 1	Vermont Agricultural Value Group: 1
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Vermont Residential Onsite Waste Disposal Group and Subgroup: IIIg

This unit is marginally suited as a site for soil-based residential wastewater disposal systems, based on a review by the Natural Resources Conservation Service of criteria set forth in the Vermont 2007 Environmental Protection Rules. The hazard of flooding is the major limitation. This unit is on floodplains and typically includes land in the floodway and the special flood hazard area. Consult flood hazard maps prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in local town offices for more information. Wastewater systems must be located, designed and constructed in a manner that avoids impairment to the system and contamination from the system due to flooding.

PHYSICAL and CHEMICAL PROPERTIES							EROSION FACTORS		
Soil name	Depth (In)	Typical texture	Clay (Pct)	Soil reaction (pH)	Permeability (In/Hr)	Organic matter (Pct)	Kw	Kf	T
Waitsfield	0-9	SIL	2-15	5.1 - 6.5	0.6-2	1.0-4.0	.49	.49	3
	9-20	VFSL	2-15	5.1 - 6.5	0.6-2	0.5-3.0	.49	.49	
	20-65	FS	0-3	5.1 - 6.5	6-20	0.0-1.0	.02	.02	

WATER FEATURES						SOIL FEATURES		
Soil name	Hydrologic group	Depth to seasonal high water table (Feet)	Flooding		Ponding		Hydric soil?	Depth to bedrock (range in inches)
			Frequency	Duration	Frequency	Duration		
Waitsfield	B	---	Frequent	Brief (2 to 7 days)	None		No	---

LAND USE LIMITATIONS				AGRICULTURAL YIELD DATA	
Soil name	Land use	Rating	Reason **	Crop name	Yield / acre
Waitsfield	Dwellings with basements:	Very limited	Flooding	Grass hay	4 Tons
Waitsfield	Pond reservoir areas:	Very limited	Seepage	Corn silage	26 Tons
				Grass-clover	6.4 AUM
				Grass-legume hay	4 Tons
				Alfalfa hay	4.5 Tons

WOODLAND MANAGEMENT				
Soil name	Management concern	Rating	Reason	Vermont natural communities
Waitsfield	Harvest equip operability:	Well suited		Silver Maple-Ostrich Fern Riverine Floodplain Forest, River Sand or Gravel Shore, Northern Conifer Floodplain Forest Variant, Sugar Maple-Ostrich Fern Riverine Floodplain Forest, River Cobble Shore
Waitsfield	Road suitability:	Poorly suited	Flooding	
Waitsfield	Erosion hazard (off-road):	Slight		