

89C: Dummerston-Macomber complex, 8 to 15 percent slopes, rocky

The Dummerston, rocky component makes up 55 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 strongly sloping hills on glaciated uplands. The parent material consists of loamy till. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches.

The Macomber, rocky component makes up 30 percent of the map unit. The natural drainage class is well drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is low. This component is on strongly sloping hills on glaciated uplands. The parent material consists of loamy till. Depth to a root restrictive layer, bedrock, lithic, is 20 to 40 inches.

Important farmland classification: Statewide

Land capability: 3 e

Vermont Agricultural Value Group: 5

Vermont Residential Onsite Waste Disposal Group and Subgroup: Ilc

This unit is moderately 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 depth to bedrock in some areas is the primary concern. A significant percentage of this map unit has sufficient soil depth over bedrock to accept a range of designs. On-site investigations can help avoid areas with limited depth to bedrock. Additional fill material may be needed in some areas in order to meet the separation distance requirement between the bottom of the leachfield and bedrock.

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
Dummerston, rocky	0-5	FSL	2-10	4.5 - 6.0	0.6-2	2.0-4.0	.32	.32	5
	5-21	FSL	2-10	4.5 - 6.0	0.6-2	0.5-3.0	.43	.43	
	21-65	FSL	2-10	4.5 - 6.0	0.6-2	0.0-1.0	.49	.49	
Macomber, rocky	0-7	SIL	10-27	4.5 - 5.5	0.6-2	2.0-6.0	.28	.28	2
	7-33	CNV-SIL	10-27	4.5 - 5.5	0.6-2	0.0-1.0	.15	.49	
	33-43	UWB	---	---	0.01-20	---	---	---	

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		
Dummerston, rocky	B	---	None		None		No	---
Macomber, rocky	C	---	None		None		No	20-40

LAND USE LIMITATIONS				AGRICULTURAL YIELD DATA	
Soil name	Land use	Rating	Reason **	Crop name	Yield / acre
Macomber, rocky	Dwellings with basements:	Very limited	Depth to hard bedrock	Grass-legume hay	3.5 Tons
Dummerston, rocky	Dwellings with basements:	Somewhat limited	Slope	Grass-clover	5.6 AUM
Macomber, rocky	Pond reservoir areas:	Very limited	Slope	Grass hay	3.5 Tons
Dummerston, rocky	Pond reservoir areas:	Very limited	Slope	Corn silage	19 Tons
				Alfalfa hay	4 Tons
				Pasture	6 AUM
				Corn silage	15 Tons
				Alfalfa hay	3.5 Tons

WOODLAND MANAGEMENT				
Soil name	Management concern	Rating	Reason	Vermont natural communities
Macomber	Harvest equip operability:	Well suited		Northern Hardwood Forest, Mesic Red Oak-Northern Hardwood Forest, Mesic Maple-Ash-Hickory-Oak Forest, Rich Northern Hardwood Forest
Dummerston	Harvest equip operability:	Well suited		
Macomber	Road suitability:	Moderately suited	Slope	
Dummerston	Road suitability:	Moderately suited	Slope	
Macomber	Erosion hazard (off-road):	Slight		
Dummerston	Erosion hazard (off-road):	Slight		

