
West Virginia

Registration Status: There is currently no requirement for registration as a professional geologist in West Virginia. Individuals who act as site remediation professionals may be licensed under the Licensed Remediation Specialist Program, outlined in §60-3-5 of the Voluntary Remediation and Redevelopment Rule (W. Va. Legislative Rule 60CSR3), as a Licensed Remediation Specialist (LRS). A LRS is an individual certified by the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection as qualified to supervise the assessment and remediation of contaminated sites. Licensed Remediation Specialists must meet minimum education and experience requirements, and pass an examination administered by the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. Remediation of sites in the Voluntary Remediation Program and UECA-LUST Program must be supervised by an LRS.

Candidates may meet minimum education and experience requirements through either the standard track or the alternative track as defined in the Voluntary Remediation and Redevelopment Rule. The standard track is for an individual who has earned a baccalaureate, masters, or doctorate degree from an accredited education institution. The alternative track is for an individual who has earned at least a high school diploma, but does not meet the requirements for the standard track.

Effective Date: March 2017

Exemptions: None

ASBOG® Membership: No

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<https://dep.wv.gov/dlr/oer/brownfieldsection/LRS%20Program/Pages/default.aspx>

Board Composition:

Requirements:

Education: Standard Track: Bachelor's degree in science or engineering; Alternative Track: High School Diploma

Experience: Standard Track: Six years, one of which is supervisory or project management related;
Alternative Track: Ten years, one of which is supervisory or project management related

Examination: Licensed Remediation Specialist Examination

Continuing Education: Yes; refer to website for details:
<https://dep.wv.gov/dlr/oer/brownfieldsection/LRS%20Program/LRS%20Requirements/Pages/default.aspx>

Grandfathering: No

Cooperative Licensure - (Comity/Reciprocity): None

Registrant Count:

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