

Contractor's Soil Disposal Quick Guide - Toronto 2026

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Quick Reference Checklist - 2026

1 Determine Project Threshold

Check if your project size requires a Qualified Person (QP) and Excess Soil Management Plan (ESMP) under O. Reg. 406/19. Projects over 2,000m² or 1m of disturbance typically require a QP.

2 Sample and Classify Your Soil

Test soil before movement if the site has any contamination history. Classification (Category 1-3 or hazardous) determines where soil can legally go. Retain test reports for 5 years.

3 Register in Provincial Registry

If required, register soil movement in Ontario's Excess Soil Registry before transport begins. Include generating site, receiving site, volume, and classification.

4 Confirm Approved Receiving Site

Verify the destination is registered for your soil's category. Get a written acceptance confirmation. Not all fill sites accept all soil categories - confirm before trucking.

