

New York State  
Department of Agriculture and Markets  
Division of Land and Water Resources  
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Albany, NY 12235

<b>SECTION A: WORKSHEET INFORMATION</b>	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	New Worksheet
<input type="checkbox"/>	Revised Worksheet

**SOIL GROUP WORKSHEET**

<b>SECTION B. LANDOWNER NAME AND PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION</b>							
Landowner Name		Last		First		Middle Initial	
Mailing Address		Street/Road No. and Name		City, Town, Village		State	Zip Code
Property Location Same as Mailing Address <input type="checkbox"/>		Street/Road No. and Name					
County		Town/City			Village		
Filing Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural District <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Commitment				<b>SECTION D: PARCEL ACREAGE SUMMARY *</b>			ACRES
				(1) Agricultural and Silvopasture Land			
SWIS Code (six digits)				(2) Farm Woodland (up to 50 acres)			
Tax Map Identifier section block lot				(3) Excess Farm Woodland			
Roll Identifier (if different)				(4) Non-Agricultural Land			
Total Parcel Acres				TOTAL ACREAGE			
<b>SECTION E: SOIL MAP BREAKDOWN OF AGRICULTURAL AND SILVOPASTURING LAND</b>					<b>SECTION F: AGRICULTURAL AND SILVOPASTURING LAND SOIL GROUP SUMMARY</b>		
SOIL MAP SYMBOL	SOIL MAP UNIT NAME	SOIL GROUP	Scale: 1" = _____ No. of Grid Points	NUMBER ACRES	Mineral Soil Group		Acres
					1	a	
						b	
					2	a	
						b	
					3	a	
						b	
					4	a	
						b	
					5	a	
						b	
					6	a	
						b	
					7		
					8		
					9		
					10		
					Organic (muck) Soil Group		Acres
					A		
					B		
					C		
					D		
* SEE EXPLANATION OF TERMS ON BACK					<b>SOIL GROUP</b>		
<b>SECTION G: DATE AND SIGNATURES</b>					<b>TOTAL ACRES</b>		
Jointly Reviewed and Concurred:					Date: _____		
Landowner Signature _____				Completed by: Signature _____			

**Distribution: Submit Original Copy to the Assessor and copies to SWCD and Landowner**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SOIL GROUP WORKSHEET

This form becomes part of a document used in Real Property Tax Administration so it must be filled out completely and accurately for the local assessor's use. It is important to note the following before completing worksheets for a farm.

1. Every parcel as identified on the assessment roll must have its own worksheet prepared, do not combine parcels on one worksheet.
2. Do not leave any blanks even when filling out multiple worksheets for the same landowner.
3. Make sure each copy is readable. Typing the information is the ideal way to make sure the information is legible and the copies are readable. If you are handwriting the information, please print legibly and press down so the copies are readable.
4. For details on completing the various sections, see separate instructions.
5. For newly planted orchards and vineyards, see Form APD-10.

### EXPLANATION OF TERMS

1. **AGRICULTURAL LAND** Means, one of ten mineral soil groups or subdivisions thereof or four organic soil groups for lands used in agricultural production exclusive of farm woodlands. Lands in this category include cropland, pasture, orchards, vineyards, managed Christmas tree plantations, sugarbush, aquaculture, and supportland. Agricultural land must equal Soil Group Total Acres.
2. **SILVOPASTURE LAND** Means land used in silvopasturing, limited to up to ten fenced acres per large livestock, including cattle, horses and camelids, and up to five fenced acres per small livestock, such as sheep, hogs, goats and poultry. "Silvopasturing" means the intentional combination of trees, forages and livestock managed as a single integrated practice for the collective benefit of each, including the planting of appropriate grasses and legume forages among trees for sound grazing and livestock husbandry. A copy of a "silvopasture" plan must accompany the soil group worksheet. Silvopasture can stand alone or be part of a farm that includes agricultural land, farm woodland, farm woodland and/or non-agricultural land.
3. **FARM WOODLAND (UP TO 50A)** Farm woodland means land used for the production for sale of woodland products, including but not limited to logs, lumber, posts, and firewood. Farm woodland which will qualify for an agricultural assessment as "land used in agricultural production" must be part of and qualified for an agricultural assessment provided, however, that such farm woodland attributable to any separately described and assessed parcel **must not exceed fifty (50) acres**. Farm woodland must not include land used for the processing or retail merchandising of woodland products, ledge, marsh, open swamp, bog, water, and similar areas. Such land must have a forest growth of suitable character and distribution to give assurance that a stand of merchantable lumber will be developed within a reasonable time.  
  
Farm woodland does not include land used as silvopasture as long as the silvopasture acreage limit is not exceeded (based upon the number and size of livestock), but if there is any silvopasture acreage over the limit, the excess acreage should be treated as farm woodland.
4. **EXCESS FARM WOODLAND** Any farm woodland over the 50 acre maximum allowed in Section D (2) of this form. Clearly describe for the assessor any acreage in this category on the map provided. This is important in the event of a conversion. This land is not subject to the payment provision.
5. **NON-AGRICULTURAL LAND** Ineligible land uses including but not limited to the following: landowner's residence and lot, gravel quarry or other mineral, oil or natural gas extraction, commercial hunting and game preserves as well as any other commercial recreational uses such as camping and athletic facilities and parks, retail establishments of any kind including restaurants, lodging facilities and roadside stands used for sale of crops, livestock, or livestock products, processing facilities, sawmills, and fertilizer plants. Non-agricultural land shall also include any land that is not actually being used to produce crops, livestock or livestock products for sale, where such land is not farm woodland qualified for an agricultural assessment or support land.

Also, any land withheld from the agricultural assessment program by the landowner should be placed in this category.