

15A NCAC 18A .1940 TOPOGRAPHY AND LANDSCAPE POSITION

- (a) Uniform slopes under 15 percent shall be considered **SUITABLE** with respect to topography.
- (b) Uniform slopes between 15 percent and 30 percent shall be considered **PROVISIONALLY SUITABLE** with respect to topography.
- (c) Slopes greater than 30 percent shall be considered **UNSUITABLE** as to topography. Slopes greater than 30 percent may be reclassified as **PROVISIONALLY SUITABLE** after an investigation indicates that a modified system may be installed in accordance with Rule .1956 of this Section; however, slopes greater than 65 percent shall not be reclassified as **PROVISIONALLY SUITABLE**.
- (d) Complex slope patterns and slopes dissected by gullies and ravines shall be considered **UNSUITABLE** with respect to topography.
- (e) Depressions shall be considered **UNSUITABLE** with respect to landscape position except when the site complies essentially with the requirements of this Section and is specifically approved by the local health department.
- (f) The surface area on or around a ground absorption sewage treatment and disposal system shall be landscaped to provide adequate drainage if directed by the local health department. The interception of perched or lateral ground-water movement shall be provided where necessary to prevent soil saturation on or around the ground absorption sewage treatment and disposal system.
- (g) A designated wetland shall be considered **UNSUITABLE** with respect to landscape position, unless the proposed use is specifically approved in writing by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or the North Carolina Division of Coastal Management.

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