

# **SOIL CLASSIFICATION**

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## **Objectives**

The scope of work of this project is to introduce, define and finally classify the various types of soil.

Although it seemed in the beginning to be a typical procedure of categorizing a vast volume of information, it was realized at the very early stages of the study that it was much more a complex matter than just listing various soils.

The complexity of this work is based on the parameters which should be taken into account to establish the groups of soil. These parameters are mainly the way of formation, the chemical composition, the general use of soil, the geography and depth at which it is found, the commercial and construction exploitation of soil etc. Due to the above number of parameters different systems were developed in various countries. It was difficult to deal with all of the existing classification systems and so it was decided to include the ones that are more used and generally accepted, without implying in any way that the ones not included or just mentioned, are not of importance.

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