

Table: Approximate relations between the classification adopted and the US and FAO systems

Classification adopted	<u>US Soil Taxonomy</u> (Soil Survey Staff, 1975, 1987)	<u>FAO-Unesco</u> (1974)
<i>Lithomorphic Soils</i>		
Lithosols	Very shallow (Lithic) Orthents	Lithosols
Rankers	Mainly shallow (Lithic) Umbrepts and Orthents; some lithic Histosols and Hapludolls	Mainly Rankers and Regosols (Dystric or Eutric); some Lithic Histosols and Phaeozems
Rendzinas	Rendolls and calcareous Orthents; some Udifluvents	Rendzinas and Calcaric Regosols; some Fluvisols
Sandy regosols	Mainly Psamments; some Orthents	Sandy Regosols
Rego-alluvial soils	Fluvents, Orthents or Psamments in recent alluvial deposits	Fluvisols or Regosols in recent alluvial deposits
<i>Brown Soils</i>		
Sandy brown soils	Mainly psamments, some sandy-skeletal Orthents and sandy Umbrepts and Hapludolls	Mainly Arenosols; some sandy Phaeozems and Humic Cambisols
Alluvial brown soils	Mainly Fluventic Ochrepts; some Udifluvents and Hapludolls	Mainly Cambisol; some Fluvisols and Phaeozems
Calcaric brown soils	Mainly Eutrochrepts; some Haplodolls and Udifluvents	Mainly Calcic Cambisols; Phaeozems and Fluvisols
Orthic brown soils	Mainly non-calcareous Ochrepts; some Umbrepts, Udifluvents and Hapludolls	Mainly Cambisols; some Phaeozems and Fluvisols
Luvic brown soils	Mainly Udalfs; some Udults and Agriudolls	Luvic Luvisols, Acrisols and Podzoluvisols; some Luvic Phaeozems
Podzolic brown soils	Mainly Dystrichrepts or Fragiochrepts; some Orthods and =Andepts	Mainly Dystric Cambisols; some Leptic Podzols and Andosols
<i>Podzols</i>		
Non-hydromorphic podzols	Humods and Orthods, excluding Placic subgroups	Humic and Orthic Podzols
Gley-podzols	Mainly Haplaquods and Sideraquods	Gleyic Podzols
Stagnopodzols	Placaquods and Placaquepts; some Placic Humods, Sideraquods and Humaquepts	Placic Podzols and some Gleyic Podzols and Humic Gleysols
<i>Gley soils</i>		
Sandy gley soils	Psammaquents, sandy Haplaquolls	Sandy Gleysols

	and Humaquepts; some Haplaquepts	
Alluvial gley soils	Fluvaquepts, Hydraquepts, Fluventic Haplaquolls and Humaquepts; some Haplaquepts	Fluvisols and Mollic or Humic Gleysols in recent alluvial deposits
Calcaric gley soils	Calcareous Haplaquepts and Haplaquolls	Calcaric and Mollic Gleysols
Orthic gley soils	Mainly non-calcareous Aquepts; some Haplaquolls	Non-calcareous Gleysols
Luvic gley soils	Mainly Aqualfs and Aquepts; some Aquults and Argiaquolls	Mainly Gleyic Luvisols or Acrisols and Planosols
<i>Man-made soils</i>		
Cultosols	Plaggepts; some Mollisols or related soils with anthropic epipedons	(no related unit)
Disturbed soils	Mainly Arents	(no related unit)
<i>Peat soils</i>		
Fen soils	Histosols, mainly euic or sulfic (including Sulfihemists and Sulfohemists)	Eutric and some Dystric Histosols
Bog soils	Histosols, mainly dysic	Dystric Histosols