



JAMAICA



→ **Jamaica** currently has 14 public policies related to soils, which have a multi-thematic character. These are framed within the period from 1945 to 2017; In addition, they are distributed among Acts, Regulations, Policies and Plans.

According to their thematic area, the number of existing public policies in the country regarding soils is detailed below:

● SOIL CONSERVATION: 10

- Natural Resources Conservation Authority Act, 1991. Date of text: 05/07/1991
- Agricultural Small Holdings Regulations. Date of text: 01-01-1946
- Land Valuation Act. Date of text: 18-01-1957
- Wildlife Protection Act. Date of text: 20-09-1945
- Forest Policy for Jamaica 2017. Date of text: 01-01-2017
- Forest Policy. Date of text: 01-04-2001
- National Land Policy. Date of text: 01-01-1997
- Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. Date of text: 18-05-2014
- Land Development and Utilization Act. Date of text: 01-12-1966
- Watershed Protection Act. Date of text: 01-04-1963

● **SOIL RESTORATION: 3**

- Mining Act. Date of text: 13-10-1947
 - Quarries Control Act, 1983. Date of text: 03-01-1984
 - Forest Policy for Jamaica 2017. Date of text: 01-01-2017
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● **SOIL MONITORING : 3**

- Land Development and Utilization Act. Date of text: 01-12-1966
 - Forest Policy. Date of text: 01-04-2001
 - Quarries Control Act, 1983. Date of text: 03-01-1984
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● **SOIL EROSION: 1**

- Forest Policy. Date of text: 01-04-2001
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● **SOIL SEALING: 2**

- Town and Country Planning Act. Date of text: 01-02-1958
 - Natural Resources Conservation Authority Act, 1991. Date of text: 05/07/1991
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● **SOIL POLLUTION: 4**

- Mining Act. Date of text: 13-10-1947
 - Quarries Control Act, 1983. Date of text: 03-01-1984
 - Irrigation Act. Date of text: 23-11-1949
 - Natural Resources Conservation Authority Act, 1991. Date of text: 05/07/1991
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● WATERLOGGING: 3

- Irrigation Act. Date of text: 23-11-1949
- Watershed Protection Act. Date of text: 01-04-1963
- Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. Date of text: 18-05-2014

As a summary, a table is detailed below in which the public policies mentioned above are displayed and what are the thematic areas with which they are linked:

PUBLIC POLICY	THEMATIC AREA						
	SC	SR	SM	SE	SS	SP	WI
Natural Resources Conservation Authority Act, 1991.	■				■	■	
Agricultural Small Holdings Regulations.	■						
Land Valuation Act.	■						
Wildlife Protection Act	■						
Forest Policy for Jamaica 2017	■	■					
Forest Policy.	■		■	■			
National Land Policy.	■						
Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.	■						■
Land Development and Utilization Act.	■		■				
Watershed Protection Act.	■						■
Mining Act.		■				■	
Quarries Control Act, 1983.		■	■			■	
Town and Country Planning Act.					■		
Irrigation Act.						■	■

SC: Soil conservation; SR: Soil restoration; SM: Soil monitoring; SE: Soil erosion; SS: Soil sealing; SP: Soil pollution; WI: Waterlogging.