

How to Prevent Stormwater Pollution

-Restaurants and Food Preparation Facilities-



Store materials, food, equipment, and wastes inside or in covered (roofs, tarps) and contained (curbed, bermed) areas to protect from rain water.

Regularly inspect storage containers for signs of wear and leaks. Keep all containers closed and sealed.

Keep dumpster area clean and lids closed at all times.

Do not place liquids in the dumpsters and do not hose out dumpsters with water.



Clean up spills immediately and with dry methods (kitty litter, rags, brooms, etc.)

Do not wash down exterior pavements into the streets or in storm drain inlets.

Dispose of cleaning supplies and rags according to proper hazardous waste disposal methods.



Regularly inspect equipment for signs of wear and leaks.

Regularly inspect for rodent and insect problems. Identify and remove pest problems immediately. Use baits and traps instead of sprays when possible.

Regularly sweep and clean facility daily. Regularly clean vents, hoods, and stacks.



Dispose of food waste directly into the trash, not down a sink drain.

Pour wash water into a janitorial or mop sink. Don't pour it onto a parking lot, alley, sidewalk, or street.

Clean floor mats, filters, and garbage cans in a mop sink, wash rack, or floor drain that is connected to the sewer through a grease trap.



Collect and recycle grease and oil, or dispose of it according to proper hazardous waste procedures. Do not pour grease and oil into sinks, floor drains, or onto a parking lot or street surface.

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