

Sources of Illicit Discharge

- Sanitary wastewater
- Effluent from septic tanks
- Car wash wastewaters
- Improper oil disposal
- Radiator flushing disposal
- Laundry wastewaters
- Spills from roadway accidents.
- Improper disposal of auto and household toxics.
- Grass clippings, soil, and yard debris.
- Common litter like plastic bottles, cans, wrappers, and cigarette butts.



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AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING INVERNESS'S ILLICIT DISCHARGE AND
CONNECTION ORDINANCE THAT MAY AFFECT YOUR BUSINESS.

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Best Management Practices

Food Service Industry



Common Stormwater Pollutants from the Food Industry

Did you know that every time it rains, or every time you dump mop water outside, or wash kitchen mats, or containers outside, or hose down sidewalks, pollutants such as **food particles, grease oil, cleansers, pesticides, trash and debris** from your dumpster and other sediment run directly into the stormwater sewer system? Our stormwater sewer system carries these pollutants untreated directly into the lakes and rivers.

Stormwater runoff is the number one threat to our waterways. Clean water is critical to our fishing industries, recreational activities, and diverse wildlife!

You can do your part to help restore these waters by implementing Best Management Practices to prevent stormwater pollution.

Best Management Practices

Fats, Oil, and Grease (FOG)

Regular maintenance and service of your sewer lines and grease trap interceptor will help prevent sewer overflows to the storm drain system.

- Do not pour FOG into floor drains, sinks, or into parking lot inlets.
- Use dry methods for oil or grease cleanup such as kitty litter or towels.
- Maintain grease traps
- Recycle grease and oil.



Proper Cleaning

- Always empty washwater and mop buckets into the mop sink or floor drain.
- Clean floor mats and garbage cans in a mop sink or floor drain. **DON'T** wash them in a parking lot, alley, sidewalk or street.
- Regularly inspect for and clean trash from outside the restaurant.
- Use the least toxic cleaning products.

Garbage Dumpsters

- Always use garbage bags or trash cans.
- Do not rinse out dumpster! Request that your waste hauler exchange the dirty dumpster for a clean one.
- Keep dumpster lids closed and secure.
- Ensure dumpster drain plug is securely in place.
- Keep the area around the dumpster clean.
- Avoid placing liquids or FOG in the dumpster.
- Do not overfill the dumpster.

How to Learn More

You are encouraged to go to the City of Inverness website: <http://www.inverness-fl.gov/>

And go to the City Services / Stormwater Management to learn more about our water resources and how we can protect them.

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