

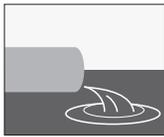
Stormwater Management



for the proactive business owner

What is stormwater pollution for a property owner?

- ▶ Stormwater is rain or snowmelt that flows over the ground.
- ▶ Stormwater passes over impervious surfaces like roads and sidewalks and has the potential to pick almost anything it travels over! These materials are generally called **Stormwater Pollutants** and can range from fertilizers and pesticides to motor oil and bacteria.
- ▶ Stormwater flows into the storm drain system and then into nearby waterways including Aucoot Cove, Sippican Harbors and River, and Weweantic River without treatment.
- ▶ Property owners are directly responsible for what storm water pollutants they are contributing to the surrounding area.



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What can you do?

- ▶ Sweep outdoor areas for trash and other litter. Always dispose of properly, never in the storm drain system.
- ▶ Provide trash receptacles in highly visible/frequented locations (i.e., receptacles for cigarette butts in an employee break area).
- ▶ Keep a cleanly, non-leaking dumpster area.
- ▶ Hose down only when necessary. If hosing is necessary, refrain from the use of detergents or chemical cleaners at the sidewalk or edge of driveway.
- ▶ Properly dispose of waste wash water into a drain connected to the sanitary sewer.
- ▶ If applicable, properly maintain grease traps and properly dispose of FOG—fats, [cooking] oil and grease.
- ▶ Always dispose of hazardous waste properly. NEVER dump anything down a catch basin, especially hazardous waste including chemicals, automotive fluids, paint, and commercial waste.

If you are unsure of how to dispose of waste, first call the manufacturer of the product or call the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Hotline for Businesses at 617-292-5898

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