

FACT SHEET FOR.....

Pollution Control for Commercial Illicit Discharge Ordinance

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- **How is my property impacted?**

This ordinance protects the health, welfare and safety of our residents and their property by improving aesthetics and decreasing reports of nuisance /pollution items. After report and investigation, if the City deems the reported concern a violation of the ordinance, the responsible party will be required to remove, correct and prevent further pollution from occurring.

- **What is prohibited?**

Pollutants such as trash, auto fluids, soap, paint, yard waste, mud/soil and animal waste. Indoor drains such as sump pump connection to a floor drain is prohibited. If you have an indoor connection it needs to be disconnected and discharged outside of the home. Properties near streams must also be maintained to ensure the beneficial use, function and physical integrity of the watercourse.

- **Are there exceptions?**

The following discharges are exempt per the approved ordinance: Landscape irrigation or lawn watering, ground water, ground water infiltration to storm drains, foundation or footing drains, sump pumps, springs, non-commercial washing of vehicles.

- **What if we have a violation or spill?**

Please do not ignore it. It is your responsibility to control, contain and clean up any material that may cause the stormwater system to become polluted. Block off storm drains and use proper materials to soak up minor spills. Sweep them up, absorb them, and please do not hose them down the drain. Hazardous materials should be reported immediately to 911. Non-hazardous spills that violate state water quality standards must be reported to the City as well.

- **What resources can the City provide?**

We can offer free technical assistance to identify potential prohibited connections and low cost pollution prevention and spill cleanup supplies. Please call (636) 240-2000 for details.

- **Why is it needed?**

The ordinance is required by the EPA requirement and federal Clean Water Act under the City's NPDES Phase II Stormwater Permit.

Stormwater Management Program

O'Fallon MO

http://www.ofallon.mo.us/dept_swm.htm

Prevent This:



To Report Pollution:

Stormwater Department

Phone: 636-240-2000

email: micheleg@ofallon.mo.us

To report illegal dumping or other environmental emergency after business hours, call the Missouri Dept. of Natural Resources at 573-634-2436

To review a copy of the full ordinance:

http://www.ofallon.mo.us/dept_swm_regs.htm