

FACT SHEET FOR.....

Pollution Control for Residents

Illicit Discharge Ordinance

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- **How is my home/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, swimming pools (if de-chlorinated-typically less than one PPM chlorine).

- **Grass clippings, leaves and other yard waste materials?**

Yard can be a violation if bags or excessive amounts are placed or dumped in a storm drain or along a creek bank. This can cause flooding as well as degrade our streams by decreasing the dissolved oxygen level or contributing to increased creek bank erosion. The City recommends mulching your lawn clippings and leaves, reusing them or recycle them through our yard waste services.

- **What about washing my car in my driveway?**

You can wash your car in your driveway. We recommend biodegradable car wash soap. We also recommend washing on the grass or at a commercial carwash where the wastewater gets treated.

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