



What Is An “Illicit Discharge”?

Federal regulations define an illicit discharge as “...any discharge to an MS4 that is not composed entirely of stormwater...” with some exceptions. These exceptions include discharges from NPDES-permitted industrial sources and discharges from fire-fighting activities. Illicit discharges (see Table 1) are considered “illicit” because MS4s are not designed to accept, process, or discharge such non-stormwater wastes.

<u>Table 1</u> <u>Sources of Illicit Discharges</u>
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

How you can help:

Please report the following activities to the Township if they are observed:

- Sediment leaving a construction site
- Spills such as chemicals, gas, diesel or oil
- Illegal dumping activity into streams or storm sewers (Dial 911)
- Sanitary sewer overflow
- Dry weather flows from outfall pipes into streams (please allow 72 hours after a rain event to report)
- Dumping or composting of firewood or leaves along stream embankments
- Storage of firewood or other loose materials along stream embankments

During Normal Business Hours (M-F 8:00 - 4:30): 267-274-1130

During all other hours: 215-493-4011 (Police Non-Emergency)