

Best Management Practices for Building and Equipment Maintenance

- ❖ **Litter Removal and Good Housekeeping Practices**
 - **Cover open dumpsters with secured tarps or plastic sheeting and never clean out a dumpster by washing it down**
 - **Recycle waste materials whenever possible and dispose of all other materials as solid waste**
 - **Establish trash/recycling points for public use**
- ❖ **Building Repairs and Remodeling**
 - **Utilize drop clothes during paint removal/application**
 - **Clean painting materials in a sink connected to the sanitary sewer**
- ❖ **Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance**
 - **Do not hose down your shop floor into the street or parking lot**
 - **Designate one area for vehicle parking and equipment maintenance**
 - **Utilize commercial vehicle washing facilities if possible**
 - **Use absorbent materials to absorb oils**
 - **Discharge vehicle wash water to the sanitary sewer**



STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION GUIDANCE FOR BUSINESSES

Everyday *Best Management Practices*

Purpose.

Storm water runoff is collected in the Town's storm water drainage system and is released – untreated – into the local waterways. Pollutants that are discharged onto the ground are transported into the storm water system by rain and surface runoff. These contaminants eventually end up in our local waterways and degrade our drinking water supply. The Best Management Practices that follow are designed to reduce the discharge of contaminants into the Town's storm water drainage system.

Best Management Practices for Hazardous Material (HAZMAT) Storage and Handling

- ❖ **HAZMAT Storage**
 - Clearly label containers and include proper storage/disposal procedures
 - Conduct regular inventories of hazardous materials
 - Regularly inspect and maintain storage containers and equipment
 - Designate secure, impervious HAZMAT storage that that eliminates exposure to rain/runoff

- ❖ **HAZMAT Spill Prevention and Cleanup**
 - Clean up spills and leaks immediately
 - Create a HAZMAT spill SOP and train employees to utilize proper cleanup procedures
 - Maintain a stockpile of spill cleanup materials where employees can easily access them
 - Minimize the use of water in any cleanup activities by using absorbent materials
 - Immediately report spills that pose a threat to public health or the environment

- ❖ **HAZMAT Disposal**
 - Follow manufacturer's recommendations for disposal
 - Recycle HAZMAT whenever possible

Best Management Practices for Landscaping Activities

- ❖ **Watering**
 - Overwatering promotes excessive growth and humid, disease-prone conditions
 - Water to a depth of 6 inches without causing runoff
 - Water in the morning and use mulch to prevent evaporation

- ❖ **Fertilization**
 - Conduct soil tests for pH, fertility, compaction, texture, and earthworm content every 1 - 3 years
 - Aerate soil in order to improve flow of air, water, and nutrients to the soil
 - Utilize organic, slow release fertilizers
 - Apply at or below the rates prescribed

- ❖ **Application of Pesticides**
 - Utilize biopesticides to reduce toxicity
 - Minimize runoff and do not spray near water sources

- ❖ **Disposal of Yard Waste**
 - Utilize mulching mowers and compost yard waste to conserve landfill space
 - Re-apply to lawn to add nutrients