

ILLICIT DISCHARGE PREVENTION

MSD Project Clear (MSDPC) partners with St. Louis County and 59 local municipalities to comply with state and federal storm water regulations.

What is Illicit Discharge?

An illicit discharge is any discharge to the storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of stormwater (rainwater or storm melt) except for discharges allowed under a permit.

Illicit Discharge Examples:

- Trash & litter
- Motor oil & auto fluids
- Cooking oil & grease
- Cleaners & soaps
- Construction materials
- Yard waste
- Pesticides
- Fertilizers
- Pool Chemicals
- Paints

How You Can Help

- Prevent spills when working outdoors by using drip pans or drop cloths.
- Clean up spills by sweeping them. Apply absorbents first if needed.
- Store chemicals, cleaners, fluids, paint supplies and other similar materials indoors or under cover in leak-proof containers.
- Properly dispose of unused chemicals, cleaners, and other household hazardous wastes.
- Never blow or rake yard waste into drains, inlets, ditches, or directly into waterways.
- If you suspect an illicit discharge, call the MSD Project Clear 24-hour customer service number.

Learn More

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24-hour customer service: 314-768-6260