



COMMERCIAL BUSINESS OPERATIONS

A GUIDE TO PROTECTING WATER QUALITY IN KING HARBOR

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Best Management Practices (BMPs) are activities, facilities, and procedures that prevent or reduce pollutants in discharges to storm drains. BMPs include education and outreach, proper planning of projects, proper cleaning of catch basin inlets, and proper sludge or waste handling and disposal.

GENERAL

- Train all employees to use BMPs.
- Post a BMP checklist as a reminder to employees.
- Review activities, operations, and procedures with employees every 6 months to avoid illicit discharges into storm drains or the ocean.
- Retrain employees periodically to reinforce BMP adherence.



INTERIOR OPERATIONS/CLEANING

- Do not discharge wastewater from interior floor, window, or equipment cleaning to storm drains or the ocean.
- Wastewater must be discharged to the sewer system only.
- Clean up spills immediately using dry absorbent materials.
- Clean equipment and floor mats in areas where wastewater will be discharged directly to the sewer system
- Discharge into mop sinks is recommended.
- Clean grease traps and interceptors regularly and in accordance with manufacturer standards.
- Dispose of grease and oils only through a certified waste hauler.
- Use of non-toxic cleaning products is recommended.
- Dispose of all solvents, paint products, pesticides, and other toxic substances through appropriate hazardous waste collection facilities.
- Do not discharge solvent, paint, or pesticide products into sewer or storm drain systems.

EXTERIOR OPERATIONS/CLEANING

- Do not discharge wastewater from cleaning activities to storm drains or the ocean.
- Wastewater must be discharged to the sewer system.
- Securely cover all dumpsters and garbage cans; repair or replace receptacles that leak.
- Do not hose wash trash receptacles unless wastewater can be discharged to the sewer systems.
- Keep storm drains free of leaves and other debris.
- Dry sweep parking lots, outdoor dining patios, and trash receptacle areas regularly.
- Do not over-irrigate landscaped areas.

To find the nearest pump-out facility or dump station or for local used oil and hazardous waste disposal locations visit www.cleanup.org

or call 1 (800) CLEANUP

Harbor Patrol can answer questions regarding water safety and boating in King Harbor

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