

Disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes:

Improper disposal of many common-place products can pollute our environment. County residents can take waste products to the regional landfill located at 489 Eskimo Hill Road, Stafford, VA. The Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) and the Fredericksburg Public Works Department conduct four Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days each year at sites in Fredericksburg and Stafford. Residents from both localities can bring household hazardous wastes to the sites so that they can be safely disposed. Residents must display a current Stafford or Fredericksburg decal in order to drop off their hazardous materials. More information about household hazardous waste collection can be found by contacting the Stafford Office of Recycling and Litter Prevention at (540) 658-8680.

Directions to the Regional Landfill:

- From the North— go south on Jefferson Davis Highway (U.S. Route 1). Turn left on Eskimo Hill Road (SR-628) (about two miles south of the Courthouse). Follow Eskimo Hill Road to the left. Turn left at 489 Eskimo Hill Road. Follow the signs.
- From the South— go north on Jefferson Davis Highway. Turn right on Eskimo Hill Road, follow Eskimo Hill Road to the left. Turn left at 489 Eskimo Hill Road. Residents must use the second entrance. Follow the signs.

Report Illicit Discharges & Improve Stafford's Water Quality!

- Report illicit discharge to storm drain system to Department of Code Administration at 540-658-8650.
- For Household Hazard Waste collection contact office of recycling at 540-658-8680.
- For Stafford County Illicit Discharge Ordinance, see Chapter 21.5 Article II or:



<http://www.municode.com/resources/gateway.asp?sid=46&pid=11500>



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Stafford County, Virginia

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program

Stafford County needs your help in protecting our valuable water resources. Please review the below information on prevention and reporting of illicit discharges so that you can do your part in protecting our streams, rivers, lakes.

What is the purpose of an Illicit Discharge Program?

Stafford County enacted a stormwater pollution and illicit discharge ordinance on December 13, 2005 in order to comply with requirements of the Clean Water Act. The main purpose of implementing an **illicit discharge detection and elimination** program is to identify and eliminate illicit discharges in order to improve the quality of water flowing into our rivers, lakes and streams.



What is an Illicit Discharge?

An Illicit Discharge is defined as any discharge to the storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of storm water. Specific sources and examples of illicit discharges are listed in the following sections.

Sources of Illicit Discharges:

- Sanitary wastewater
- Gas and motor oil
- Household cleansers
- Paints
- Pesticides
- Solvents
- Vehicle spills
- Weed killers
- Radiator flushing disposal
- Laundry wastewaters



DON'T DO THIS!!!

If you dump waste products in a gutter or street grate, it DOES NOT go to a sewage treatment plant to be cleaned. Instead, the untreated waste is discharged directly into the environment and our local streams.

Penalties for Knowingly Producing an Illicit Discharge include:

- Class 1 Misdemeanor and
- Fine of \$250-\$1,000. (County Code §21.5-22)

What is NOT an Illicit Discharge?

In Stafford County the following discharges are not considered unlawful discharges:

- Discharges covered under a Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) or National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit;
- Discharges from firefighting activities;
- Water line flushing;
- Landscape irrigation;
- Diverted stream flows or rising groundwater;
- Infiltration of uncontaminated groundwater;
- Pumping of uncontaminated groundwater;
- Discharges from potable water sources, foundation drains, irrigation water, springs water from crawl spaces or footing drains;
- Air conditioning condensation;
- Lawn watering;
- Residential car washing;
- Public street washing; and,
- Swimming pool discharges.

However, in the event that any of these activities are found to cause sewage, industrial wastes or other wastes to be discharged into the system, the County can order that the activity be stopped.

What you can do to prevent water pollution:

- Never dump any liquid waste products or other inappropriate materials into a storm drain or street grate.
- Take waste products to an appropriate disposal facility.
- Secure chemicals or cleaners over a protective surface an away from storm drains or water bodies.
- Use tarps to catch waste and residue when working outside on vehicles or painting.



ONLY RAIN IN THE DRAIN!!!!