

Allowable
Discharge to
Storm Sewer
System Form



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THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT FULLY AND EMAILED TO CITYWATERPROTECTION@CITYOFVANCOUVER.US FOR APPROVAL. NO WATER CAN BE DISCHARGED BEFORE EMAIL APPROVAL FROM THE CITY WATER PROTECTION TEAM.

This form is intended to clarify allowable discharges (including dewatering) to the City of Vancouver's Public storm sewer system. Fill out this form to determine if the discharge is Allowable BEFORE directing or disposing of water to the City's storm sewer system. Prohibited discharges include anything that, if discharged or improperly disposed of, may present a risk to water resources. Please review the City of Vancouver's Water Resources Protection Municipal Code (VMC 14.26.117) for more information on prohibited and allowable discharges.

To Obtain Approval for Discharges to City Storm Sewer System, the Applicant Must:

- Determine if the discharge is hazardous by reviewing the allowable discharges listed and answering the questions included in this application.
- Provide the name of the entity discharging water to the City's storm sewer system, and have the completed application signed by an authorized representative responsible for the accuracy of information submitted.
- Include all supporting information listed under the headings Discharge Information and Characteristics.
- Include a map showing the desired location for the discharge.
- Additional sampling/testing data may be required if requested by the City for determining proposed discharge water quality.

Proposed Discharge Information	
Who is generating the discharge?	
Agent/Contact:	Agent/Contact Phone:
Agent/Contact Address:	Agent/Contact Email:
Water Source:	Water Volume (estimate gallons):
Process Generating Water:	
Frequency of Discharge (One-Time, Daily, Weekly, etc.)	
Requested Discharge Date(s):	
Discharge Characteristics (if applicable)	
Color and Odor:	Clarity:
Chlorine Level:	pH (required for dechlorinated discharge):



Certification Statement

I certify under penalty of law that the information provided on this document and all attachments is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete. I certify that all samples used for this analysis are representative of the water described herein. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment.

Authorized Representative's Signature

Printed Name

Common Allowable Discharges

Allowable discharges to the City's stormwater drainage system:

- Natural uncontaminated surface water or ground water.

Conditionally allowable discharges to City's stormwater drainage system:

- *Potable water* – Must be dechlorinated to 0.1 PPM or less, pH-adjusted if necessary (between 6.5 & 8.5), and volume and velocity controlled to prevent flooding and the stirring-up of sediments in the stormwater system.
- *Swimming Pool/Fountain Water* – Water must be dechlorinated to 0.1 PPM or less, pH-adjusted (between 6.5 & 8.5), reoxygenized, and velocity controlled to prevent flooding and the stirring-up of sediments in the stormwater system. Pool cleaning water and filter backwash shall **not be** discharged to the stormwater system.
- *Street, Sidewalk, and Building Wash Water* – Only clean, non-polluted wash water may be discharged to the City's storm system. Wash water with detergents shall **not be** discharged to the City's stormwater system. Minimize the discharge of wash water through water conservation efforts or by directing wash water to landscaped areas.

Allowable discharges to lawns, landscaped areas, or pervious surfaces:

- Potable water
- Landscape watering
- Residential car and boat washing
- Residential swimming pool and spa water
- Common discharge as outlined in water well disinfection practices

You may also reference the [2019 Stormwater Management Manual of Western Washington](#) (SWMMWW) for Best Management Practices (BMPs) to address pollution concerns when discharging water.

For questions please contact:

City of Vancouver Water Resources Protection

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