

State and Local Requirements

Only Rain Down the Drain

It's illegal to let anything other than rainwater go down a storm drain.

Keep compliant! Follow best management practices to prevent heavy metals, oils, grease products, toxic chemicals, debris, and paint from going into storm drains.

When it rains, stormwater picks up everything in the street, gutter, parking lot, or storm drain and sends it untreated to the local creeks, Delta, and the Bay. Learn how to handle and dispose of pollutants properly.

It is the responsibility of the business owner to train staff on proper spill and clean-up procedures and stormwater BMPs. Failure to comply with this request may result in the issuance of an administrative citation or fines that accrue daily. Learn more about this at www.cccleanwater.org.



Helpful Resources



Visit resource.stopwaste.org for local information on:

- Waste Disposal
- Recycling
- Waste Hauler Curbside Services & Bulky Pick-Up
- Hazardous Material Disposal, including:
 - » Used oil
 - » Car batteries
 - » Anti-freeze
 - » Window wash fluid



For information on where to recycle used oil visit www.cccrecycle.org/197/Used-Oil-Recycling

Find out where to dispose of hazardous waste. Visit resource.stopwaste.org.



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BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR AUTO BODY SHOPS



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Stay in compliance with regulations and keep grease, solvents, and other toxic chemicals out of our storm drains and local waterways.



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BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs) FOR AUTO BODY SHOPS

Sand Responsibly

- ☐ 1. Conduct all sanding (wet and dry) indoors!
- ☐ 2. Reduce water use and clean up sanding dust with dry methods first. Double bag waste and dispose in dumpster if not hazardous
- ☐ 3. If wet sanding, use a spray bottle to wet surfaces and place pans under the car to catch drips
- ☐ 4. Evaporate wet sanding wash water and dispose of remaining sediment in the trash. Do not dispose gritty water down the sewer

Clean Floors Responsibly

- ☐ 5. Vacuum dust before mopping
- ☐ 6. Mop with minimal amount of water. Don't let water flow outside!
- ☐ 7. Never rinse anything off outdoors
- ☐ 8. Wipe up spills with dry, absorbent materials (e.g., rags)

Wash & Paint Wisely

- ☐ 9. Wash water must go to the sanitary sewer (*obtain required permits for sanitary sewer disposal*)
- ☐ 10. Wipe (**do not rinse**) acid-based wheel cleaners
- ☐ 11. Calculate paint and paint thinner needs in advance to avoid waste
- ☐ 12. Clean spray guns in self-contained area

Properly Manage Hazardous Waste

- ☐ 13. Train employees to handle hazardous waste, prevent and respond to spills; locate spill equipment, drain covers, and emergency containment
- ☐ 14. Separate and label waste for disposal and recycling and store in containers with sealable lids to avoid chemical spills; **Never mix oil, fuel, antifreeze, or chlorine**
- ☐ 15. Keep storage area clean and dry; inspect often

