

## Educational Material

Good Housekeeping - All commercial establishments

### TOWN OF HORIZON CITY: STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM MS4

To protect our natural resources (streams, waterways, lakes and all its living inhabitants) basic good housekeeping is recommended of all commercial establishments. Some steps are addressed for the care of your vehicles and for commercial establishments in general.

#### Auto Care

Washing your car and degreasing auto parts at home can send detergents and other contaminants through the storm sewer system. Dumping automotive fluids into storm drains has the same result as dumping the materials directly into a waterbody.

Use a commercial car wash that treats or recycles its wastewater, or wash your car on your yard so the water infiltrates into the ground.

Repair leaks and dispose of used auto fluids and batteries at designated drop-off or recycling locations.

#### Commercial

Dirt, oil, and debris that collect in parking lots and paved areas can be washed into the storm sewer system and eventually enter local water bodies.

Sweep up litter and debris from sidewalks, driveways and parking lots, especially around storm drains.

Cover grease storage and dumpsters and keep them clean to avoid leaks.

Report any chemical spill to the local hazardous waste cleanup team. They'll know the best way to keep spills from harming the environment.

#### Automotive Facilities

Uncovered fueling stations allow spills to be washed into storm drains. Cars waiting to be repaired can leak fuel, oil, and other harmful fluids that can be picked up by stormwater.

Clean up spills immediately and properly dispose of cleanup materials.

Provide cover over fueling stations and design or retrofit facilities for spill containment.

Properly maintain fleet vehicles to prevent oil, gas, and other discharges from being washed into local waterbodies.

Install and maintain oil/water separators.

“STORM WATER POLLUTION IS EVERYONE’S RESPONSIBILITY”

For more information regarding storm water management program, illegal discharge or to report a violation, please call the Town of Horizon City, Storm Water Management Program Coordinator: 852-1046, or call Code Enforcement Officer: 852-1046.

Storm Water Educational Material Storm water information for the General Public- EPA Home Page

Storm Water Educational Material Storm Water information for the business sector- TCEQ Home Page

Storm Water (Pollution Prevention) Educational Material Pollution Prevention Information for Businesses- TCEQ Pollution Prevention Page

Storm Water Educational Material Storm Water information for the Construction Industry