

## City of Greenfield Ordinance Enforcement

The City of Greenfield has a Storm Water Ordinance (Chapter 32) that makes it illegal to cause or allow illicit discharges to the City's storm water management system.

The City implemented an Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program to identify, monitor, trace, and inspect illicit discharges to storm water drains, ditches, creeks, and other waterways.

### Inspection

Every year, the City's storm water management system is inspected for the presence of illicit discharges.

The City is planning to begin inspections in your area in the near future.

## Reporting Illegal Dumping and Discharges

### How to Report:

You can report a suspected illegal discharge to the City in any of the following ways:

1. Call the Engineering Department at (414) 329-5323
2. Complete a Report Form at:  
<https://www.ci.greenfield.wi.us/584/Storm-Water-Management>

If you see a suspected illegal discharge, it is helpful to gather the following information:

- ✓ Date and time of the incident
- ✓ Location of dumping or discharge
- ✓ Digital photos and/or description of the incident
- ✓ Description of the vehicle and license plate information, if applicable



PROTECT  
OUR WATERS



### Regulatory Reporting

The City of Greenfield prepares and submits annual regulatory reports. A copy of the most recent reports can be found at:

<http://www.ci.greenfield.wi.us/590/Regulatory-Reporting>

### Contact US



City of Greenfield Engineering Department  
7325 W. Forest Home Ave. Greenfield, WI 53220



(414) 329-5323



[www.ci.greenfield.wi.us/253/Engineering](http://www.ci.greenfield.wi.us/253/Engineering)

RESIDENT AND BUSINESS  
GUIDE  
**ILLICIT DISCHARGE  
PROGRAM**

## Never Dispose into the Storm Drains

The City of Greenfield storm drains connect directly to local waterways. Although the water from our kitchens, bathrooms, and laundry is treated, the water in the storm drains is not. This means that anything entering the storm drains, such as trash, pet waste, motor oil, and other pollutants from yards and driveways will pollute lakes and rivers. Those pollutants degrade the water quality, resulting in restricted recreational activities and pose threats to wildlife and human health.



**IF IT'S NOT RAIN, IT DOESN'T  
BELONG DOWN THE STORM DRAIN.**

## What is an Illicit Discharge?

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) recognizes illicit discharges as any fluids or waste materials that are not rain water discharged through the storm water system. Illicit discharge can be the result of:

- Emptying or dumping of any non-storm water substances directly into the storm drain
- An illicit connection (such as from a bathroom or washing machine) into the storm drainage system
- An accidental leak or spill of a harmful substance
- Rain water collecting pollutants on the way to storm drains

### Common Illicit Discharges

- Sanitary wastewater
- Vehicle fluids (gasoline, motor oil, and antifreeze)
- Household cleaners and chemicals
- Soapy wash water
- Paints
- Dirt, mulch, and grass clippings
- Pesticides, fertilizers, and weed killers
- Restaurant grease and cooking oil
- Pet wastes
- Lawn and yard waste

### What is NOT an Illicit Discharge?

- Water line flushing (fire hydrant flushing)
- Landscape irrigation
- A/C condensation
- Lawn watering
- Individual car washing on residential properties
- Foundation drains

## How to Help

### At Home

- ✓ Do not pour household cleaners, vehicle fluids, paint, or other potential pollutants onto the driveways, streets, or directly into the storm drains and ditches.
- ✓ Do not apply pesticides, herbicides, or fertilizers near storm drains or ditches. Use sparingly and follow all package directions.
- ✓ Keep leaves, grass clippings, mulch, and compost away from storm drains.
- ✓ Check sewer laterals from bathrooms, kitchens, and laundry rooms.
- ✓ Clean up your pets' waste.