

Illicit Discharges & Illicit Connections

An **Illicit Discharge** is the discharge of pollutants or other non-stormwater materials to storm sewer systems, through either overland flow or direct dumping of materials into a stormwater inlet or drainage ditch. Examples of illicit discharges that have occurred in the City of Jefferson include the dumping of used motor oil, leftover house paint, caked water softener salt, used anti-freeze, solid waste, leaves and grass clippings to name a few.

An **Illicit Connection** is the discharge of pollutants or non-storm water materials into a storm sewer system, through a pipe or other means of direct connection. The primary source of illicit connections that have been found, and which are corrected as they are identified in the City of Holts Summit, are sanitary sewer laterals that were connected to the storm sewer system at some point in the past. Other potential illicit connections may also include wash water from Laundromats or car washes, etc.

Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination as it pertains to citizens of the City is addressed in Chapter 47, of the City Code. It can be viewed electronically on the City web site at <http://www.holtssummit.org/City-code.htm> or a paper copy can be obtained at City Hall.



Used motor oil can be recycled.
Never dump it on the ground or into a storm drain!

Use kitty litter to soak up oil leaks and spills. Then sweep it, double bag it, and put it in the trash.
Never hose down!

Use the least toxic products and follow directions carefully.
Never apply garden products when rain is on the way!

Due to Federal and State water quality mandates of the Clean Water Act, illicit discharges and illicit connections are gradually being eliminated through inspections, clean-ups and re-connections, and through public education efforts.

The City of Holts Summit storm sewer system has many feet of improved channels. The City does not maintain open channels. Obviously, illicit discharges can occur within the City and easily be overlooked and go undetected. Members of the community are a great help to the City when they report incidents as they happen, so the illicit discharges can be addressed. If you observe an illicit discharge, please notify the Department of Maintenance at (573) 896 - 5600.

Citizen Information Brochures
May be obtained from the
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245 S. Summit Dr. Holts Summit, MO. 65043
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