

# RESTAURANTS & FOOD SERVICE

## What's the problem?

Food establishments can harm the environment if they are not careful with disposal and cleanup procedures. When food waste is handled carelessly fats, oils, grease, detergents, cleaners, and other chemicals can enter the storm system, which is illegal.

You need to prevent polluted water from entering storm drains. Water that enters a storm drain is not treated or cleaned before entering our rivers.

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### Grease & Oil

- ◇ Install a grease trap or interceptor
- ◇ Inspect, clean, and pump grease traps regularly
- ◇ Never dump grease in a floor or storm drain
- ◇ Keep grease bins covered and contained and recycle regularly

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### Proper Cleaning

- ◇ Clean floor mats, filters, and garbage cans in a mop sink, wash rack, or floor drain connected to a grease trap and the sanitary sewer
- ◇ Don't wash them outside

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### Mop Buckets & Sinks

- ◇ Always empty wash water into a janitorial or mop sink
- ◇ Never empty a mop bucket outside or where it can drain into a storm drain

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### Garbage Dumpsters

- ◇ Keep garbage areas clean and lids closed
- ◇ Keep liquids out of dumpsters and dry trash compactors
- ◇ Regularly clean compactor door seals to prevent leaks
- ◇ If a leak occurs, call the servicer immediately