



# STORMWATER SMART - AUTO SHOPS

When water from rain, snow, or sleet flows over the ground, it's called "stormwater". Stormwater can pick up paint, chemicals, antifreeze, and oil from vehicles in your parking lot. And when that stormwater flows into street gutters, storm drains, and downstream, it can pollute rivers, lakes, and streams. Follow these simple pollution solutions to help keep our local waterways clean and healthy!

	DITCH THE HOSE
	CATCH EVERY DROP
	STORE STUFF SAFELY
	DISPOSE RESPONSIBLY

Use special oil-absorbing towels or other materials to clean up oil or other fluids from cars instead of hosing it off. Dispose of the towels properly.

Always use drip pans when changing motor oil to ensure fluids do not leak onto hard surfaces and run into storm drains. Never dump fluids from vehicles down storm drains! Engine oil and sludge can clog drains and pollute our water.

Keep equipment, car parts, batteries, used oil filters, and liquids indoors in a dry, covered place so rain cannot wash pollutants down the drain.

Dispose of used oil, antifreeze, solvents, filters, tires, and batteries properly to keep pollution out of waterways.

**Common Risks for Auto Shops Include: Oil, Gasoline, Anti-freeze, Brake Fluid, & Detergents from Car Washing.**

## ADDITIONAL ACTIONS TO STAY COMPLIANT:

- \*Check for Leaks
- \*Train all Staff
- \*Use Spill Kits
- \*Designate a Wash Area
- \*Use Drip Pans
- \*Inspect and Maintain Drainage System
- \*Implement a Good Housekeeping Program

**By taking these steps, you're helping to protect our community and contributing to a healthier, safer environment. We thank you for your commitment to responsible business practices.**

## REPORT ILLICIT DISCHARGES:

If you notice any unusual substances or pollutants in stormwater drains - such as oil, chemicals, or soapy water - please report it IMMEDIATELY!

ONLINE: (SCAN QR CODE)



 <https://cityofgulfbreeze.us/departments/public-works/stormwater-management/>

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