



The storm and surface water system in Bellevue is not connected to a sewage treatment plant. Runoff in storm drains flows directly into our local streams, lakes and wetlands. To protect water quality, Bellevue manages stormwater runoff by following "best management" practices and operates under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit issued by the state Department of Ecology. This permit is a requirement of the Federal Clean Water Act.

The Bellevue Storm and Surface Water Utility Code 24.06.125 prohibits storm and surface water pollution. The City will work with you to prevent storm and surface water pollution and to comply with code requirements and restrictions. For assistance, please call 425-452-7840.

24.06.125 Prohibited, permissible, and conditional discharges.

A. General.

- No person, whether singly or in combination with others, shall dump, throw, drain or otherwise discharge, either directly or indirectly, nonstormwater and/or prohibited discharges into the storm and surface water system or receiving water within or contiguous to city of Bellevue municipal limits; and
- Every permit issued to implement this code shall contain a performance standard requiring that no discharge of nonstormwater and/or prohibited discharges from a site or real property, directly or indirectly, to the storm and surface water system or a receiving water occurs.

B. Prohibited Discharges.

 The following substances are prohibited from entering, either directly or indirectly, a storm and surface water system or receiving water within or contiguous to city of Bellevue municipal limits, including but not limited to: (see list at right) Petroleum products including but not limited to oil, gasoline, grease, fuel oil and heating oil

Trash or debris

Domestic animal wastes

Chemicals

Paints

Steam cleaning wastes

Washing of fresh concrete for cleaning and/or finishing purposes or to expose aggregates

Laundry wastes

Soaps, including biodegradable soaps, detergents, or ammonia

Pesticides, herbicides, or fertilizers

Sewage

Heated water

Chlorinated water, chlorine, bromine, or other disinfectants

Degreasers and/or solvents

Bark and other fibrous material

Antifreeze or other automotive products

Lawn clippings, leaves, or branches

Animal carcasses

Silt or sediment

Concrete, cement or gravel

Acids, alkalis, or bases

Recreational vehicle wastes

Dyes (without prior permission of the utility)

Construction materials

Food wastes

Metals in either particulate or dissolved form

Flammable or explosive materials

Radioactive material

Batteries

Paints, stains, resins, lacquers, or varnishes

Drain cleaners

Swimming pool or spa filter backwash

Chemicals not normally found in uncontaminated water

Any other process-associated discharges except as otherwise allowed in this section

Any hazardous material or waste not listed above