



**THE ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION & ELIMINATION
CITIZEN REPORTING CENTER**

203-341-1120

or

EMAIL the form below to:

illicitdischarge@westportct.gov

What is an Illicit Discharge?

When a pollutant is discharged into our storm sewer system or waterways, it is referred to as an ILLICIT or illegal DISCHARGE.

Illicit discharges can include nearly anything that is not stormwater. Industrial, commercial or animal wastes, sewage, sump pump discharge, pesticides, motor oil, antifreeze, paint, etc. can all become illicit discharges when they are directly discarded into a storm drain, ditch, stream, river or even Long Island Sound.

Why should I report an Illicit Discharge?

Storm sewer systems cannot treat polluted water, because stormwater runoff is not piped to a wastewater treatment facility. It is conveyed directly into nearby storm drains, ditches and watercourses, and is discharged untreated into our waterways where these concentrated pollutants can significantly degrade water quality and threaten aquatic life, wildlife, and even human health.

That is why it is so vitally important to insure that no pollutants are knowingly or unknowingly discharged into our storm sewer system.

How do I report a suspected Illicit Discharge?

To help protect our water quality, Westport residents are now able to report suspected illicit discharges by filling out the [Citizen Reporting Form](#) attached or by calling our Citizen Reporting Center at:

For more about illicit discharges, go to the [Clemson Cooperative Extension Service](#) for more information.



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ILLICIT DISCHARGE CITIZEN REPORTING FORM

INFORMATION ABOUT THE ILLEGAL DISCHARGE

FIRST OBSERVED - DATE: TIME: AM PM

WEATHER CONDITIONS: PLEASE SELECT FROM THE OPTIONS BELOW:

DRY RAIN SNOW STORM EVENT YES NO APPROX. OUTDOOR TEMP

LOCATION OF THE INCIDENT: (ADDRESS OR GPS COORDINATES)

WHERE WAS THE DISCHARGE FOUND? PLEASE SELECT FROM THE OPTIONS BELOW:

CATCH BASIN WATERCOURSE SEPTIC SYSTEM FAILURE
CULVERT OR PIPE CONSTRUCTION SITE RUNOFF WETLANDS
DRAINAGE DITCH SEWER DISCHARGE OTHER

WAS WATER FLOW OBSERVED? YES NO WAS THE FLOW: CONTINUOUS INTERMITTENT

IS THE TYPE OF POLLUTANT KNOWN? IF SO, PLEASE IDENTIFY:

IF THE POLLUTANT IS UNKNOWN, PLEASE SELECT FROM THE OPTIONS BELOW:

ODOR: NONE PETROLEUM SEWAGE ACRID / CHEMICAL OTHER
COLOR: RED YELLOW BROWN GREEN GRAY OTHER
CLARITY: CLEAR CLOUDY OILY SHEEN OTHER

SEDIMENT, PLEASE DESCRIBE:

WAS A PHOTO TAKEN? YES NO (PLEASE ATTACH PHOTO)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT MAY ASSIST IN THE INVESTIGATION:

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER / E-MAIL ADDRESS: