### CITY OF GRESHAM

# POLLUTION PREVENTION REGULATIONS FOR LANDSCAPERS



### ONLY RAIN IN THE DRAIN: IT'S THE LAW!

Storm drains carry pollution to streams.

It is a violation of City Code to allow any substance other than rain water to enter storm drains or contaminate groundwater.

### REQUIREMENTS AND BEST PRACTICES

#### LEAVES, GRASS, YARD WASTE

Do not leave debris in the street. Find a disposal facility at OregonMetro.gov or 503-234-3000.

Mulch, Gravel, Soil

Keep these out of drains. Store on a tarp and under cover. Use filters to protect drains.





### WASHING RESTRICTIONS

## NO

Do not wash dirt, chemicals, or fluids into street drains.



# YES

Clean mowers with a brush.

Rinse small equipment over grass, where water can soak into soil.



Wash at a **commercial car wash** or in a **graveled area**.

### REQUIREMENTS AND BEST PRACTICES



### STORE CHEMICALS SAFELY

Closed, clean, labeled, and not leaking.

Train employees: the label is the law!

Mix pesticides away from storm drains and over a **drip pan**. Use absorbent material to clean up spills.



**Never** pour **pesticide rinse water** into indoor or outdoor drains. Apply to vegetation or find disposal locations at **OregonMetro.gov** or **503-234-3000**.

Restricted Use Pesticides require special certification and training. To be sure your business is in compliance, call the Oregon Department of Agriculture Pesticide Program at 503-986-4635.

### PREPARE FOR SPILLS

Keep **spill kits** on vehicles and at job sites.

Seal off drains when spills are possible, like during loading or unloading.

Call 503-618-2525 to report spills or to request a free spill kit.







### CLEAN STORM DRAINS ANNUALLY

Storm drains on your business's property need regular maintenance to avoid flooding and water pollution.

Find information and sign up for discounted cleaning at **GreshamOregon.gov/SCAP**.

### FREE ASSISTANCE

Become an EcoBiz certified landscaper! Find information and request a free spill kit at **EcoBiz.org** or **503-823-7807**.



Questions? WaterResources@GreshamOregon.gov or 503-618-2525

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