

NPDES Stormwater Multi Sector Generic Permit Guidance

Sector M: Automobile Salvage Yards

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Sector M - Automobile Salvage Yards of the Multi-Sector Generic Permit (MSGP) addresses special requirements for stormwater discharges associated industrial facilities engaged in dismantling or wrecking used motor vehicles for parts recycling or resale and for scrap.

Common Sector M activities (not limited to):

- Vehicle Dismantling
- Used Parts Storage
- Outdoor Vehicle and Equipment Storage
- Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance
- Vehicle, Equipment, and Parts Cleaning Areas
- Liquid Storage in Above Ground Storage Tanks
- Illicit Connection to Storm Sewer

Potential Pollutant Sources (not limited to):

Oil, anti-freeze, batteries, gasoline, diesel fuels, wheel balance weights, tires, rims, filters, radiators, catalytic converters, engine block, hub caps, doors, drivelines, galvanized metals, mufflers, leaking engines, chipping/corroding, chipping paint, galvanized metal, parts cleaning; waste disposal of greasy rags, oil, filters, air filters, hydraulic, transmission, radiator fluids, fluid spills and replacement of oil, degreasers, washing and steam cleaning waters, structural failure, installation problems, spills and overfills due to operator error,
process wastewater, sanitary water, floor drain, vehicle wash water, radiator flushing wastewater, leaking underground storage tanks.

Recommended BMPs (not limited to):

Stormwater treatment BMPs are intended to prevent or minimize the contamination of runoff, or treat runoff contaminated with pollutants.

- Drain all fluids from vehicles upon arrival at the site, segregate fluids, and properly store or dispose of collected fluids.
- Store batteries on impervious surfaces
- Keep waste streams separate (e.g. waste oil and mineral spirits)
- Filtering storm water discharges with devices such as oil-water separators
- Confine storage of parts, equipment, and vehicles to designated areas.
- Cover all storage areas with a permanent cover (e.g. roof) or temporary cover (e.g. canvas tarp)
- Avoid washing parts or equipment outside, and consider using detergent-based or water-based cleaning systems
- Install curbing, berms or dikes around storage and cleaning areas
- Inspect storage and cleaning areas regularly
- Install a safeguard against vehicle wash waters and parts cleaning waters from entering the storm water sewer.
- Train employees on proper procedures for waste control, disposal, storage, inspections, washing and cleaning, and filling and transfer of liquids.

Industrial facilities which have the potential to discharge stormwater to surface waters of the State or into a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) and fall under any one of the 11 categories of industrial activities identified in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14), may require coverage under the Multi-Sector Generic Permit. To submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage, request a permit determination or to obtain a copy of the MSGP Sector M Specific Language in its entirety, please contact the NPDES Stormwater Notices Center at: 866-336-6312 (toll-free) or by email at NPDES-stormwater@floridadep.gov

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