

NPDES Stormwater Multi Sector Generic Permit Guidance Sector W: Wood and Metal Furniture and Fixture Manufacturing Facilities

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Sector W – Wood and Metal Furniture and Fixture Manufacturing Facilities of the Multi-Sector Generic Permit (MSGP) applies to Industrial Activity from facilities identified by the following SIC codes: wood kitchen cabinets (generally described by SIC code 2434); household furniture (generally described by SIC code 251); office furniture (generally described by SIC code 252); public buildings and related furniture (generally described by SIC code 253); partitions, shelving, lockers, and office and store fixtures (generally described by SIC code 254); and miscellaneous furniture and fixtures (generally described by SIC code 259).

Common Industrial Activities (not limited to):

Stormwater discharges from industrial plant yards; material handling sites; refuse sites; sites used for the application or disposal of process

wastewaters (as defined at 40 CFR Part 401); sites used for the storage and maintenance of material handling equipment; sites used for residual treatment, storage, or disposal; shipping and receiving areas; manufacturing buildings; storage areas (including tank farms) for raw materials and intermediate and finished materials; and areas where industrial activity has taken place in the past and significant materials remain and are exposed to storm water" (40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)). The most common industrial activities at furniture and fixture manufacturing facilities include material handling sites and raw material storage areas.

Recommended BMPs (not limited to):

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

- Confine loading/unloading activities to a designated area outside drainage pathways and away from surface waters.
- Confine storage of raw materials, parts, equipment, and finished products to designated areas away from high traffic, outside drainage pathways and away from surface waters.
- Perform all loading/unloading activities in a covered or enclosed area.
- Provide diversion berms, curbs, dikes or grassed swales around the perimeter of the loading/unloading and storage areas.
- Provide secondary containment around chemical storage areas.
- Inspect air emission control systems regularly and repair or replace when necessary.
- Ensure hazardous and solid waste disposal practices are performed in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local requirements.
- Ship all wastes to offsite landfills or treatment facilities.
- Train employees on proper loading/unloading techniques, and waste control and disposal.
- Train employees in spill prevention, control, cleanup, and proper materials management techniques.

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 W 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

