



REMINDER

Chemical Waste Disposal



There are two types of sewers located on the Indiana University campus:

- **Sanitary Sewer** — Sanitary sewers drain waste water from all restrooms, sinks, and showers and delivers it to the city sewage treatment plant on Dillman Road.

This water is contaminated with human waste, soap, and food, etc. The treatment systems at the plant are capable of removing these contaminants and returning clean water to the streams. The systems include biological filters, physical filters, separators, and aeration systems, etc.

- **Storm Water Sewer** — Storm water sewers drain rain water from building roofs and parking lots and delivers the water to the streams and lakes.

This water is intended to be clean because it impacts the natural biota living in these streams and lakes.

Follow these guidelines for disposal of chemicals or to clean equipment and containers:

- All chemical waste must be collected and picked up by EH&S. To request a waste pickup or assistance go to www.ehs.indiana.edu/hazard.html or call 855-6311.
- No chemical waste is to be disposed of into the storm sewers. This is illegal. They are all marked with the following: "Dump No Waste, Drains to Stream."
- No chemical waste is to be disposed of into the sanitary sewer. This is illegal. The sewage treatment plant is not licensed to treat chemical waste. Chemicals are also toxic and will damage the biological filters at the treatment plant.
- Washing of empty contaminated containers is permitted but only in the sinks that drain to sanitary sewer system. Do not wash containers in parking lots or on loading docks that drain to storm sewers.
- Accidental spills must be reported to EH&S at 855-6311 (there will be NO repercussions.) This may be done anonymously if preferred.



QUESTIONS?

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