

DUMPSTERS & TRASH

- **Keep dumpster lids closed** to keep out rainwater.
- Have **spill cleanup materials** handy near the dumpster and loading dock areas.
- **Never place liquid waste** or leaky garbage bags **into a dumpster**.
- **Don't hose out dumpster interior in areas that drain to the storm drain system.** Apply absorbent if any fluids are spilled in the dumpster.



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STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION

**Best Management
Practices for
Restaurants**



A practical guide for restaurants to comply with stormwater regulations and protect the San Francisco Bay waters and wildlife from harmful runoff.

You must obtain a permit from SFPUC to powerwash outdoor areas.

To request a permit, visit www.sfwater.org or call (415) 695-7310

**TO REPORT POLLUTION
CALL 311**



Did you know that **it is illegal to discharge anything but stormwater into stormwater drains in San Francisco?**

Many stormwater inlets at the Port of San Francisco **drain directly into the Bay**. Due to the amount of fats, oils, grease, and cleaning chemicals that they handle, **restaurants play a critical role in keeping our water safe and clean**. Follow these best management practices (BMPs) to ensure that you are complying with all Port, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and California Water Board stormwater regulations on restaurants.

TRAINING

- **Train all employees upon hiring – and annually thereafter** – on personal safety, management of fats, oils, and grease (FOG), and proper methods for handling and disposing of waste.

CLEANING

- **Clean equipment in a designated indoor area**, such as a mop sink. Ex: floor mats, grease traps, grills, and garbage cans.



- **Sweep, mop or vacuum** instead of using a hose to clean outdoor areas.
- Dry sweep pavement areas frequently. If you must use water for cleaning, use a mop and bucket and **dispose of wash water in a mop sink**.
- **Do not clean equipment outdoors** in any area where water may flow to a street, gutter, storm drain, or the Bay.
- **Never pour wash water, grease or oil outside or into a street, gutter or storm drain.**

SPILLS

- **Use granular absorbents** (e.g. cat litter) to absorb the spill. Dry sweep and dispose of used absorbent in the garbage.



- If wet cleaning is required, **dry clean first and then mop and collect water**. Dispose of water in sink or other indoor drain, not the storm drain.
- **Do not clean up spills by hosing down washwater into the gutter or a storm drain.**

