

The recipe for a cleaner environment begins in your restaurant or food service operation.

Grease poured down the sink or floor drain can clog sewer lines causing backups and sewage spills. Food residue, detergents, grease, and trash left outside or poured in a storm drain are picked up by rainwater and carried to the nearest water body as polluted storm water runoff, and are called illicit discharges. Both of these sources of pollution are harmful to humans and aquatic life and impact our rivers, lakes, and streams. By following the tips below, you can be part of the solution to water pollution!



Pour wash water into a janitorial or mop sink. Don't pour it out onto a parking lot, alley, sidewalk, or street.

Arroje el agua empleada en la limpieza dentro del fregadero para trapadores. No la arroje en los estacionamientos, callejones, veredas o en la calle.



Use dry methods for spill cleanup—sweeping, cat litter, etc. Don't hose down spills.

Use métodos secos para limpiar los derrames—escobas, aserrín de los gatos, etc. No utilice mangueras para limpiar los derrames.



Keep dumpster area clean and lid closed. Don't fill it with liquid waste or hose it out.

Mantega el área alrededor del basurero limpia y la tapa cerrada. No lo llene con desperdicios líquidos ni utilice la manguera.



Clean floormats, filters and garbage cans in a mop sink or over an internal floor drain. Don't wash them in a parking lot, alley, sidewalk, or street.

Limpie las alfobras, filtros y basureros en un lavadero para trapeadores, un esagüe de piso, u otro contenedor secundario. No los lave en el estacionamiento, callejón, acera o calle.



Recycle grease and oil. Don't pour it into sinks or onto a parking lot, street, or storm drain.

Recicle grasa y aceite. No los arroje en lavaderos o desagües de piso ni en estacionamientos o calles.



Regularly clean up parking lots and the outside area surrounding the business. Sweep up food refuse and other trash and debris from outside areas.

Regularmente limpie los Estacionamientos y el área exterior que rodea el restaurant. Barra los desperdicios de comida y cualquier otro tipo de basura y escombros en las áreas exterior.