



Storm Water Management

Spring Hill, Tennessee

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Storm Water Advisory Committee

Meeting will be held the fourth Monday of every month at City Hall 6pm.

The following individuals were appointed to the Storm Water Advisory Committee by Mayor Michael Dinwiddie for a term of 3 years.

Chad Whittenburg
Kyle Duvall
Jennifer Harrington

Nancy Dunlap
Laura Campbell



**Be Storm Water
Savvy,
Don't Let a Good
Drop go Bad!**

For More information visit:
<http://www.epa.gov>

Draining a Pool or Hot Tub

Do you have a chlorinated or salt water pool or hot tub? Do you allow the water to drain into the City's stormwater system – down your driveway and into the street, which then goes down a stormwater inlet? If so, it is illegal to do so. The City has an ordinance that covers illicit discharges and includes a fine.

The City is required to follow the requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act. In order to keep our waters clean and prevent any type of pollutants from entering the waters, the only thing allowed to enter the stormwater system is stormwater – with a few specific exceptions like water from the Fire Department putting out a fire or de-chlorinated pool water.

Both salt and chlorinated pools can have issues if discharged into the stormwater system and into fresh water blue line streams. Since saltwater pools use generators that turn the salt into chlorine, they are still chlorinated pools.

Also, depending on the system, you may still have to shock the pool or hot tub using granular or liquid chlorine because the super chlorinate setting on the generators may not bring the chlorine level high enough on salt systems.

So how do you de-salinate /de-chlorinate for discharge? Splash out and evaporation (both requiring re-filling with fresh water) and rain will bring the levels down if you stop adding salt or chlorine, but the problem is: What is an acceptable level of salt or chlorine?

The bottom line is that salt water pools are to be treated as chlorinated pools. Do not discharge into the sanitary sewer system or stormwater system. If you can discharge onto your property (without impacting your neighbor's property) it will infiltrate the soil and not harm the vegetation. You may also remove treatment salts and chemicals through approved de-chlorination and desalination methods.

All homeowners associations, residents, businesses, civic and church groups are invited to support the Tennessee Environmental Council and the MS4 Storm Water Department with a tree planting or other community event held monthly. For more information please call the phone number below or visit the MS4 Storm Water Department at City Hall.

**Report any illicit dumping into storm drains to
the MS4 Hot Line at 931- 486- 2252 ext. 239**

