

City of Independence – Illicit Discharge Reporting Form

What is Illicit Discharge?

In Independence, our storm sewer system is composed of our wetlands, lakes and rivers. State and local regulations mandate the protection of these waters, and the management of illicit discharge. “Illicit discharge” is defined by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency as any discharge to a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) that is not composed entirely of stormwater (except the following: discharges specifically authorized by a permit, and discharges resulting from fire-fighting activities). Examples of illicit discharge could include, but are not limited to: paint, herbicides/pesticides, deicing agents, automotive fluids, solvents, oils, soaps, spills, fuels, concrete washout water, sawcutting water.

If you have information concerning illicit discharge to local water bodies, we encourage you to use this form and submit it to Independence City Hall, 1920 County Road 90, Independence, MN or you may contact Toni Hirsch, City Administrator at (763) 479-0527.

We appreciate your interest and willingness to disclose information that may assist us in correcting any issue of concern regarding illicit discharges to our storm sewer system.

Citizen Reporting Form

Information about you:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Information about your complaint:

Date/Time First Observed: _____

Date/Time Last Observed: _____

Location of Incident: _____

Confidential: Yes No

Please describe the incident you observed or your complaint:

It is the policy of the City to ask you to identify yourself to facilitate investigation of the complaint. Identifying information is optional, however, if you do not provide identifying information, the City may not be able to investigate the complaint if additional information is needed or reply back to you with corrective action steps taken. This information will be treated as confidential unless release of the information is ordered by a court or you consent to the release of the information. The City may share this information with state, federal or local agencies with an interest in the matter or refer the complaint to the appropriate agency.