

Borough of Marietta

Illicit Discharge / Water Quality Issue Reporting Form



What is an Illicit Discharge?

-Federal regulations define an illicit discharge as “any discharge to an MS4 that is not composed entirely of stormwater...” with some exceptions. These exceptions include discharges from NPDES-permitted industrial sources and discharges from fire-fighting activities.

Illicit discharges (see below) are considered “illicit” because MS4s are not designed to accept, process, or discharge such non-stormwater wastes.

Potential Sources of Illicit Discharges

- **Sanitary Wastewater**
- **Waste From Septic Tanks**
- **Car Wash Wastewaters**
- **Improper Oil Disposal**
- **Radiator Flushing Disposal**
- **Laundry Wastewaters**
- **Spills From Roadway Accidents**
- **Improper Disposal of Auto and Household Toxins**



▶ **If you witness an illicit discharge into a municipal storm drain, or have a water quality complaint, please contact Marietta Borough at 717-426-4143 or Sharon@boroughofmarietta.com.**

▶ **Please be ready to provide the date, location, and description of the observed illicit discharge or complaint.**

▶ **Thank you for helping to keep our waterways clean!**