

### **Mobile Vehicle Washing – What you need to know.**

Vehicle wash wastewater (runoff) contains dirt, metals, oils, grease, and detergents. All these contaminants are harmful to the environment.

In Huntington vehicle wash facilities are required to have appropriate pre-treatment devices and discharge their wastewater into the sanitary sewer. It is prohibited by city code and state law to discharge vehicle wash wastewater any other way. Vehicles include anything with wheels that transports people or materials.

Huntington Stormwater Utility (City of Huntington) Ordinance (969.05) addressing illicit discharges:

- (a) No person(s) shall discharge or cause to be discharged into the municipal storm drain system or watercourses any materials, including but not limited to pollutants or waters containing any pollutants that cause or contribute to a violation of applicable water quality standards, other than storm water.*

City of Huntington Planning and Zoning Code: 1341.10 ordinance addressing car washes:

*D: Water from operation shall not flow onto sidewalks or streets.*

*E. Any chemical that may be hazardous to aquatic life shall be stored and completely contained to prevent spills or leaks.*

WV Code of State Rules (47CSR11):

*4.2. Any coin operated and other fee generating car washing establishment located such a publicly owned treatment works and sewerage system is available to handle and treat such wastewater shall direct its wastewater to the publicly owned treatment works.*

The Huntington Sanitary Board and the Huntington Stormwater Utility are required by federal and state law to regulate discharges of wastewater into the environment.

Operation of a mobile car wash facility, water will potentially be flowing into the street. There are a several different strategies for managing this water:

1. Collect wash wastewater and dispose of it at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. (You must have proof of legal disposal at a licensed wastewater facility).
2. Reclaim water using a wastewater reclamation system.

**Under no circumstances shall the wash wastewater be directed to a storm drain or to the street.**

Maintenance logs must be retained showing you are collecting this wash water for Water Quality Board review.

Huntington Water Quality Board looks forward to working with you.

If you have any questions regarding the requirements, please contact Carrie Denvir, Huntington Stormwater Utility, at 304-942-2525 or [carrie.denvir@huntingtonswu.com](mailto:carrie.denvir@huntingtonswu.com).

### Mobile Vehicle/Car Wash Application

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Vehicle Wash: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner's Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Operator: \_\_\_\_\_

Operator's Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Operator's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Operator's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed removal of wastewater:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Wastewater disposal location: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that water must be collected and disposed of at each car wash event. At no time is water allowed to enter the storm drains on the street.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name of Operator/Applicant Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Operator/Applicant

Approvals:

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Huntington Stormwater Utility Date