



Your Storm Water Inspection

Guidance for Industrial and Commercial Businesses

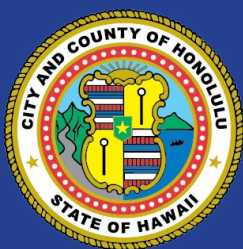
What is storm water? Why does it matter?

Rain becomes storm water when it hits the ground, picking up dirt, oil, and trash. As it runs off the land, storm water carries these pollutants to storm drains and flows, untreated, into streams and the ocean.

Why are we being inspected?

Federal, State, and City regulations prohibit anything other than storm water from being discharged into the storm drain system.

The **Honolulu City and County Department of Facility Maintenance Storm Water Quality Division** conducts regular inspections of businesses to check that best management practices (BMPs) are being used. BMPs reduce the chance of storm water pollution. Inspectors provide education and ensure your business has the necessary permits for storm water compliance.



ARE YOU STORM WATER COMPLIANT?

What do inspectors look for?

- Storm drains located on or near the property.
- Use and proper storage of hazardous chemicals.
- Chemical Safety Data Sheets are available for employee reference.
- Employees are trained to handle spills.
- Dumpsters are kept covered and in good condition (i.e. no holes).
- Equipment and/or vehicles are serviced indoors or in a covered area.
- Handling of wastewater and/or washwater generated by business operations.
- Patterns of storm water flow on the site.



How can I prepare?

- Visit **CleanWaterHonolulu.org** to:
 - View the recommended BMPs for your business.
 - Create a BMP plan to guide how your business will handle activities that may impact storm water quality.

Call to schedule your business inspection:

Only Rain Down the Drain!