

CTDOT MS4 Illicit Discharge

Illicit Discharge: Any substance other than stormwater runoff which is released into the storm sewer system

DOT will be actively screening stormwater outfalls for signs of illicit discharges utilizing both visual evidence and field testing. Ammonia, chlorine, conductivity, salinity, surfactants, temperature, and E. coli will be field tested.

Signs include odd colors, unusual odors, visual evidence, and fish kills.



Storm sewer systems often discharge into Connecticut's waterbodies and watercourses such as the Connecticut River

Illicit discharges to the DOT MS4 by any person are prohibited. Any such discharges are not authorized by the general permit, are unlawful, and remain unlawful until they are eliminated. DOT prohibits all illicit discharges from entering its drainage system. Upon detection, DOT will pursue eliminating illicit discharges as soon as possible and require the immediate cessation of such discharges upon confirmation of responsible parties within sixty (60) days. DOT will immediately commence actions necessary for elimination and shall diligently pursue the elimination of all illicit discharges.



Source: US EPA

Report Suspected Illicit Discharges to DOT.MS4@ct.gov

DUMPING ANY SUBSTANCE INTO A CATCH BASIN IS ILLEGAL