

**Oak Park Conservancy District
Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs)
Good Housekeeping Practices (GHPs)**

GHP-10

Activity: Sanitary/Septic Waste Management

**PLANNING
CONSIDERATIONS:**

Training:
Moderate

PE Design
Approval:
Required

Maintenance:
High

Inspection
Frequency:
Monthly



Target Pollutants

Significant ♦

Partial ♦

Low or Unknown ♦

Sediment ♦ Heavy Metals ♦ Nutrients ♦ Oxygen Demanding Substances ♦ Toxic Materials ♦
Oil & Grease ♦ Bacteria & Viruses ♦ Floatable Materials ♦ Construction Waste ♦

Description

Providing convenient well-maintained facilities with regular service and disposal reduces or prevents discharge of pollutants to stormwater from sanitary/septic waste.

Approach

- Sanitary or septic wastes should be treated or disposed of in accordance with IDEM requirements. These requirements may include:
- Locate sanitary facilities in a convenient location.
- Untreated or raw wastewater should never be discharged to a ditch, creek or other waterway, or buried.
- Temporary septic systems should treat wastes to appropriate levels before discharging. IDEM should be consulted to determine appropriate levels.
- If using an on-site disposal system (OSDS), such as a septic system, comply with local health agency requirements. IDEM should be consulted.
- Temporary sanitary facilities that discharge to the sanitary sewer system should be properly connected and inspected by the local sewer authority to avoid illicit discharges to the storm sewer system.
- If discharging to the sanitary sewer, contact the local sewer authority for their requirements.

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Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Privately held sanitary/septic facilities should be maintained in good working order by a licensed service. ➤ Arrange for regular waste collection by a licensed hauler before facilities overflow. ➤ For a quick reference on disposal alternatives for specific wastes, see the table presented in the Employee/Subcontractor Training BMP fact sheet. ➤ Anchor portable sanitary facilities, when needed, to prevent them from blowing over or being turned over by vandals.
Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Inspect facilities regularly. ➤ Arrange for regular waste collection.
Inspection Checklist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> There are no major limitations to this best management practice other than those that may be imposed by the local sewer authority.