



## Prevent Pollution of the Sanitary and Storm Sewer

UBC has separate sanitary and storm systems.

### Sanitary Sewer

Metro Vancouver's Sewer Use Bylaw No. 299 prohibits disposal of hazardous materials and waste through the sanitary sewers.

Contact the Advisor, Environmental Protection (604-822-9840) for an assessment and consultation regarding specific lab aqueous waste streams - complete the "Aqueous Waste Profile".

Implement the following lab best management practices (BMPs):

- Make sure containers of liquids are not leaking
- Make sure laboratory equipment and experiments that create wastewater do not leak
- Make sure liquids are stored in secondary containment: trays, sealable containers or segregated (dammed) areas, with no floor drain so that spills are contained
- Do not dispose of any waste into a sanitary or storm sewer
- If a laboratory process is connected to a water supply, do not connect it to a sewer or use contaminated or toxic liquids unless a backflow prevention device is included
- Control and contain spill to prevent any hazardous materials from entering the sewer

### Stormwater

Discharges must comply with several regulations and guidelines such as: Fisheries Act, BC Hazardous Waste Regulation, BC Contaminated Sites Regulations, CCME Water Quality Guidelines for the Protection of Aquatic Life, BC Approved Water Quality Guidelines, and Municipal Water Use Guidelines.

***Only Rain in the Storm Drain!*** Prevent pollution of UBC's storm system and facilitate compliance with environmental requirements by following approved procedures and guidelines. Discharges to the storm sewer system are prohibited.

### Resources

Refer to the UBC Pollution Prevention Sanitary and Storm Sewers Procedure and the RMS Pollution Prevention Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater webpages for more information.