



Don't pour waste fluids into floor drains.

DO

- ✓ Use floor drains to dispose of wash water only.
- ✓ Floor drains are required to have a grit collector and oil/water separator.
- ✓ Remove accumulated materials from the oil trap if spills enter the drain.
- ✓ Clean the floor drain at least annually.
- ✓ Promptly repair leaks to the floor drain sump.
- ✓ Determine if a floor drain is necessary. If not, fill the drain with a plumber's plug or concrete.
- ✓ Only floor drains connected to sanitary sewer are permitted.
- ✓ Oil removed from the oil/water separator shall be stored in approved drums for separate disposal and/or recycling.

DON'T

- ➤ Don't use the floor drain like a trash can.
- ➤ Don't pour waste oil, antifreeze, paint, cleaning fluids or other material into the floor drain.
- ➤ Don't allow spilled chemicals to get to the floor drain.
- ★ Adding oil from the oil/water separator to the used oil tank is not recommended.

Materials & Waste Management

- ▲ Air dried sludge from floor drain may be disposed in a dumpster.
- ▲ Hazardous sludge from a spill must be managed by a hazardous waste vendor.

 Contact UK Environmental Management for assistance.
- ▲ If the facility is connected to a sanitary sewer, the water (not the oil) from the oil/water separator may be discharged to the sanitary sewer system.
- ▲ An industrial cleaning service should be used to clean floor drains and oil/water separators at least annually or more often as needed.

Facility Checklist

- ☐ Check the drain trap *MONTHLY* for oil accumulation and leaks.
- ☐ Check grit collector and oil/water separators *ANNUALLY*.
- ☐ Check the floor drain *MONTHLY* for solids accumulation on the bottom and floating material on the surface.
- ☐ Check spill kit *MONTHLY* and promptly restock after use.

Tips and Tricks

- Contact UK Environmental Management for list of needed spill kit contents.
- **!** UK Environmental Mgmt. 859-323-6280

If...Then

➤ If used oil from the oil/water separator is contaminated with solvents or due to a spill, conduct a hazardous waste determination.

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