

Environmental Insight



Illicit Discharge Warning Signs

It is illegal to dump (discharge) anything other than stormwater into a storm discharge system (illicit discharge) or to connect any unauthorized pipe, ditch, or other manmade structure to a storm drainage system (illicit connection) per Section 2.3 of the MS4 permit. Indications of an illicit discharge can include, staining, residues, oily substances, abnormal flow during dry weather, murky water, or suds.



Suds

Dry weather flows may be observed after prolonged periods without rain and there may be staining. Annually NSE Base Environmental Stormwater Program manager will check stormwater outfalls for dry weather flows and if present, complete field testing to determine the source.

Suds often enter storm water systems as a result of improperly connected car washes or washing machines. Suds can also be the result of vehicle washing practices.



Oily Sheen

Oil/gas is recognized as a sheen on the water. Natural sheens may be differentiated from oil/gas sheen by breaking up the sheen with a stick. Natural sheens will remain separated and have sharp edges while oil/gas sheens will reattach and form a solid sheet. Oil/gas can enter water bodies via storm water runoff (spills at gas stations, oil leaks on pavement and illegal dumping).

Sanitary sewage may be present if there is black staining inside the drainage pipe; visible evidence of sanitary waste (such as toilet paper); or opaque or gray water.



Sewage flow

If you see any of these discharges contact NSE Base Environmental Spill Response staff Craig Henshaw at (425) 304-3465.

Only rain down the drain.

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Environmental Compliance, Assessment, Training, and Tracking System (ECATTS)

The Department of the Navy's web-based program providing environmental training is called Environmental Compliance, Assessment, Training, and Tracking System (ECATTS). At a minimum, (contractors, civilians, and military personnel) are required to take one-time Environmental Management Systems Awareness Training. If you have taken this training since reporting onboard NAVSTA Everett, feel free to use ECATTS for more free, effective Environmental training. Additional ECATTS training with a focus on stormwater is required for some personnel working on NAVSTA Everett to satisfy the MS4 Stormwater Permit. EWCCs and key contractors will need to complete the additional ECATTS modules which will be sent out separately. All ECATTS training is self-paced and the web site can be accessed from any internet connected computer (including at home). If you have not taken the one-time EMS Awareness training, please log in using this process and do so:

1. Logon to <https://ecatsts.com/>
2. Click on middle blue circle "Access ECATTS view your training plan"
3. After short 2 minute video, click on "here" to proceed to the login and registration page
4. Under "New Users Register Here" if you have a .mil address you can click the yellow "click here" and obtain a password.
5. After inputting your password, you will be taken to a registration page. For the "Location, base or host installation," please select NAVSTA Everett WA.
6. After you register, on the left side of the page click "EMS Training." It will take you to the Naval Station Everett Environmental Management System Awareness page.
7. Click through the 13 pages and take the test. To get credit you must answer all the questions correctly. The ones you miss will be listed on the right side and when you retake the test you will only be asked the questions you previously missed.

If you have any questions, please contact Dave Warburton.

What you need to know about turning in Government Property

The Integrated Solid Waste Program at Naval Station Everett collects refuse, recycle, and is the local QRP (Qualified Recycling Program). As the QRP, we are limited on the acceptance of scrap items to those that have a Demil code of "A." All other items or materials coded as B, C, D, E, F, Q, G & P must be turned in to DLA Disposition Services. This is done by properly completing a DD-1348 with supporting documentation, if needed. The easiest way to move your command's property more expeditiously to DLA is to request access to their ETIDS web-based program. Every Command should have a designated person who oversees all Government property and its proper disposal. Attached with this Newsletter are 3 powerpoints that lay out the steps to setting up an account and obtaining ETID access. Please keep these for reference for your command so you can dispose of property recycling cannot.

What Happens During a Hazardous Waste inspection?

Naval Station Everett was recently inspected by Ecology, and final report will be out soon. Contact HWAFF, (B-2150 (425-304-5987/89) if you would like to review the results for your facility.

Hazardous waste compliance inspections are conducted periodically by Washington State Department of Ecology. The inspectors arrive unannounced, during standard business hours, to evaluate compliance at the facility during normal operations.

Inspectors will ask for the contact person listed on your notification form or Dangerous Waste Annual Report, or your command Environmental Work Center Coordinator (EWCC). If this person is unavailable, another staff member who is knowledgeable about dangerous waste at the facility will need to act as the backup contact.

The contact person should expect to:

- Explain the facility's processes that generate waste.
- Explain how the facility has designated the wastes generated.
- Explain how the facility's waste is stored and managed.

Provide documents that are required to be maintained on site, if requested.



Inspectors will ask to review records relating to hazardous waste management. The records the activity is required to keep depends on the facility's generator category (Large, Medium or Small Quantity). Naval Station Everett is a Large Quantity Generator and must follow all applicable HW regulations. Some of the records an inspector might ask for are listed below.

- Waste designation records
- Final signed copies of Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifests and other shipping documents
- Land Disposal Restriction (LDR) record
- Written contingency plan
- Written training plan
- Training records for employees that handle dangerous waste
- Weekly inspection checklist
- General facility inspection logs
- Treatment by Generator (TBG) logs (if applicable)
- Recycling logs (if applicable)
- Universal Waste shipment records

Inspectors will tour the facility to check for compliance against the hazardous waste regulations. The areas that inspectors typically look at are: Points of waste generation; Production areas; Central accumulation areas; Satellite accumulation areas and; "Bone yards" or other storage areas



During the inspection pictures may be taken. The photos are to document violations found or examples of proper hazardous waste management. These photos also aid inspectors when writing inspection reports. Talk to your inspectors if you have questions or concerns about pictures being taken at the facility. After the inspection inspectors will write an inspection report. As they do, they may have follow-up questions to clarify observations or information from the inspection.

We appreciate everyone's effort in ensuring your Hazardous Waste programs are inspection ready and personnel are adequately trained. If you have any questions regarding hazardous please contact Kevin McKeag.