

Requirements Under Franklin Township's Municipal Code

A variety of private stormwater quality control measures currently exist on certain properties within the Township of Franklin. All future development projects will be required to incorporate certain stormwater quality control measures in their improvement plan designs. The following requirements from the Township of Franklin Stormwater Control Regulation Ordinance (Section 330) apply to these properties.



Stormwater Management/ Maintenance Permit

Property owners that own or operate one or more stormwater control measures shall obtain an annual stormwater management/maintenance permit as required by the Township of Franklin Stormwater Control Ordinance. Each stormwater management/maintenance permit shall be valid for one year and thereafter must be annually reviewed.

Stormwater Maintenance Plan

A stormwater maintenance plan shall be developed for all stormwater control measures. The plan shall include a schedule for when and how often maintenance of the stormwater control measures will occur, a list of any special equipment or skills required for proper maintenance, the estimated cost of maintenance, and a schedule for periodic inspections to ensure proper performance between maintenance events.

Time Limit for Filing Application for Permit

All property owners with existing stormwater control measures must apply for and obtain an annual stormwater maintenance permit. Continued operation of stormwater control measures without an annual stormwater management permit shall constitute a violation of the ordinance.



Implementation of Maintenance Plan

All stormwater management permittees shall submit quarterly, to the Township Engineering Department, a maintenance report demonstrating compliance with the approved stormwater maintenance ordinance. The maintenance report shall verify that the operating condition of the stormwater control measures are in good working order and that the stormwater maintenance plan has been executed to ensure the stormwater control measures continue to perform adequately. If the stormwater management permittee fails to submit the required maintenance report, the Township Engineer or his designee, may conduct an inspection of the stormwater control measures to verify compliance with the approved stormwater maintenance plan. If the Township Engineer or his designee determines the stormwater management permittee is not in compliance with the stormwater maintenance plan, or the stormwater control measures are not in good working order, Township Engineer or his designee may issue a compliance order pursuant to Section 330.

In accordance with State and Federal law, Franklin Township's stormwater drainage system is permitted to discharge to our local waterways. To comply with the State regulations and to protect our water quality in our local creeks, the Township has developed a program to address discharges made to the stormwater drainage system. This program includes general outreach as well as compliance inspections at local facilities.

The Township's stormwater drainage system includes the surface streets, gutters, ditches, swales, drain inlets, piping, and our local creeks and streams. Non-stormwater discharges occur when the water or fluids used in the course of business travel into the drainage system. Residuals from waste left on the ground may also flow into the stormwater system during rain events. These discharges can adversely impact local creeks if not managed properly.

Under the provisions of the Township's State permit, most non-stormwater discharges are prohibited from entering the Township's stormwater discharge system.

Franklin Township's Municipal Code Section 330 – Stormwater Control Regulations, specifies these limitations, lists exemptions, and provides enforcement options for continued non-compliance.



Stormwater Management/Maintenance Program

For more information about the Stormwater Quality Maintenance Program and maintenance requirements for your particular stormwater quality control measures contact:

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Franklin Township Stormwater Quality Maintenance Program



New and Existing Development

