

What You Can Do to Keep Water Clean

A storm drain is the entrance to a system that collects and carries water from streets and parking lots, and discharges it **untreated** into our lakes, streams, wetlands and Puget Sound.



Storm Drain Stenciling

Spread the word by stenciling storm drains with the message "Dump No Waste, Drains to Stream." The City of Shoreline has kits for loan to community groups. Contact the Environmental Programs Assistant at (206) 801-2455 to participate.

Report Violators

If you suspect a spill or see someone pouring waste down a storm drain, call the City's Customer Response Team at (206) 801-2700 or the Washington Department of Ecology at (800) 258-5990.

For More Information:

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Clean & Green Car Wash Program



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Wash your car clean and keep Shoreline green at the same time!



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When You Wash Your Car at Home Where Does Soapy Water Go?

Water that is rinsed off your car contains detergents, oils and heavy metals that flow onto the street, travel into a storm drain, and then into Shoreline's streams and Puget Sound. This soapy, polluted water is untreated and can kill aquatic plants and wildlife.



Puget Sound Starts Here

Commercial Car Wash

Using a self-serve wash bay or commercial car wash helps keep our streams clean. Most car wash facilities discharge their wastewater into the sewer system, where it is treated before it enters Puget Sound. Also, ask if they use cleaning solutions that are biodegradable and contain no phosphates.

Local Car Wash Retailers:

Brown Bear Car Wash
16032 Aurora Ave N Shoreline

Clearwater Car Wash
21125 Highway 99 Lynnwood

The City of Shoreline does not endorse or guarantee any services or products.

Eco-Friendly Home Car Wash

If you wash your car at home...

- Wash it on the lawn or gravel where water can soak into and get filtered by the soil.
- Use a hose with an adjustable nozzle.
- 'Biodegradable' only means that the soap will break down over time. It is preferable to use a biodegradable soap, but it doesn't necessarily guarantee it is better for plants, animals and the environment.
- Look for soaps that are:
 - * Non-toxic
 - * Biodegradable
 - * Phosphate-free
 - * Vegetable or citrus-based



Avoid soaps with labels reading Caution, Danger or Warning.

- After washing, dispose of bucket contents into the sewer system such as toilets and sinks.

Find Car Wash Soaps:

- Simple Green Car Wash (online)
- Meguiar's NXT Generation (Action Auto Parts)
- Turtle Wax ICE Car Wash (O'Reilly Auto Parts)

Charity Car Wash

Coupons

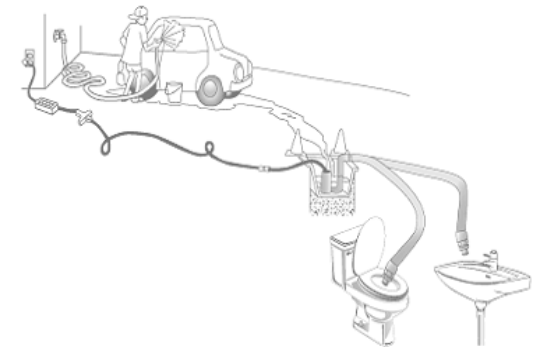
Sell local commercial car wash coupons available at Puget Sound Car Wash Association (800) 509-9274 or Brown Bear Charity Car Wash Program (206) 774-3742.

SudSafe Car Wash Kit

To offer a group car wash event and keep our streams clean, borrow one of the City's kits. Each kit contains a car wash announcement board, hose and a basin to capture and divert the soapy water away from the storm drain and onto a lawn or into a sink that drains to the wastewater treatment system

To use the kit, the following is required at the site:

- Electrical power within 100 feet of the wash area
- Grass or gravel area, sink or toilet that leads to the sewer system within 100



Group leaders can contact the **Surface Water Quality Specialist** at (206) 801-2453 to reserve a kit.