

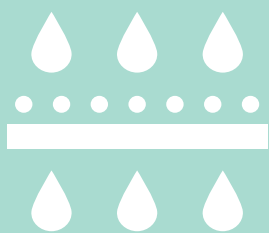
Safeguarding the Wastewater System and the Environment

Swimming Pools & Ice Rinks - Recommended Practices



1. Capture Wastewater

Never discharge water containing free chlorine to a storm sewer or watercourse, such as a river, creek or stream.



2. Screen Wastewater

Remove ice paint solids from wastewater prior to discharge using a sand filter bed or layered filter cloth. Dispose of ice paint solids into the regular garbage.



3. Avoid Harsh Chemicals

Minimize the quantities of hazardous materials kept on site. Appropriately dispose of old or used fluids and containers through a Provincial Take Back Program (if applicable) or by returning to the supplier. For more information, check the Recycling Council of British Columbia website at www.rcbc.bc.ca or call 604-RECYCLE.



4. Labelling

Label chemicals and cleaners according to WHMIS requirements and store in a secure area where spills can be contained.



5. Clean Spills

Promptly clean up spills with a dry absorbent and appropriately dispose of used absorbents as outlined on the spill kits.



6. Use the 24-hour Hot Line

Contact Metro Vancouver's 24-hour line at 604-643-8488 before draining chiller brine to the sanitary sewer.



7. Staff Training

Train staff on the practices described above and maintain good inspection and maintenance records.

For more information, see "Guide to Managing Wastewater – Swimming Pools and Ice Rinks" (available at metrovanancouver.org)