

**This activity applies to the outdoor storage of liquids in portable containers and indoor storage where the potential exists to flow outside.**

**Best Management Practices (BMPs) are required by King County Code 9.12. If the BMPs included here are not enough to prevent contamination of stormwater, you will be required to take additional measures.**

### Required BMPs:

- Place tight-fitting lids on all containers.
- Enclose or cover the containers.
- Raise containers off the ground with a spill containment pallet or similar method to contain the material in the event of a spill or accident.
- Place drip pans or absorbent materials under all potential drip and spill locations during filling and unloading of containers. Collected liquids or soiled absorbent materials must be disposed of properly.
- Do not use metal drums if the liquid chemicals are corrosive.
- Label all containers with the product name and hazards.
- Have spill control materials/spill kit located nearby.
- Have a spill control plan with current contact information.

### Required Routine Maintenance:

- Train employees on the site's spill plan and/or proper spill cleanup procedures.
- Sweep and clean paved storage areas as needed. Do not hose down the area to the storm drainage system.
- Routinely check containers and any containment sumps for leaks and spills and replace if compromised. Dispose of all spilled liquids properly.
- Inspect spill control devices routinely and remove oil and debris.
- Storage of reactive, combustible, or flammable liquids must comply with the King County Fire Code. The local fire district must be consulted for limitations on clearance of roof covers over containers used to store flammable materials.

### Additional Information:

- Containment Information Sheet
- Disposal Information Sheet

**For more information or assistance contact the King County Stormwater Services at 206-477-4811 and visit [kingcounty.gov/stormwater](http://kingcounty.gov/stormwater).**