



Mobile Food Service Operations

Stormwater Management Information

The purpose of this information is to prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to the storm drainage systems and to our streams and sinkholes from mobile businesses that provide food services. Food and food byproducts damage natural streams and aquatic life by promoting harmful pathogens and depleting dissolved oxygen in the waters.

The City of Cookeville has separate sanitary sewer systems and storm drainage systems. Storm drains are located outdoors and are intended to convey rainwater runoff directly to the nearest stream or sinkhole to prevent ponding and flooding. Any spills, leaks, or discharges to the storm drainage system will enter the natural streams without treatment.

Spill Response Plan Contents:

- Address where you will be discharging all wastewater. This must be an approved site where all wastewater will discharge to the sanitary sewer or septic tank system.
- State that you will inspect all water and wastewater plumbing on a daily basis.
- Address where you will clean floor mats and equipment so that it drains to an approved sanitary sewer or septic tank system.
- Exterior washing of vehicles only permitted at a commercial car wash.
- Discuss storage of all used cooking oil in appropriate containers inside the vehicle.
- Address education of all employees on potential dangers to the environment and storm drainage system from spills and leaks. Train employees on spill prevention and cleanup procedures for the area around the food truck.
- Address trash removal and proper disposal.
- Submit a written plan to explain how spills will be contained; this should cover spills of waste water, greases, oils and food products. An emergency spill response kit should be on or in the vehicle at all times. The kit should contain: absorbents e.g. pads, booms, kitty litter, a secondary containment vessel or pan, and an absorbent sock large enough to cover the opening to the nearest storm drain inlet.

Report any spills or illegal dumping to the Public Works Department at 931-520-5247.