

COMMON POLLUTANTS

Mobile Pet Groomer and Stylist

- Chemicals (flea and tick treatments, and equipment cleaners)
- Dirt and sediment
- Hair, fur, and nail waste
- Pet waste
- Shampoos and conditioners
- Soaps, detergents, and disinfectants
- Wastewater

Mobile Unit

- Antifreeze
- Hydraulic/transmission fluid
- Oil, grease, gasoline, and diesel



WANT TO KNOW MORE?

The Cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta, Lompoc, Santa Barbara, Solvang, and the County of Santa Barbara have extensive Stormwater Management Programs, with a great selection of information and useful tools to help protect the environment.

Take advantage of the following FREE programs:

- City of Santa Barbara Clean Creeks Certified Business Program
- County of Santa Barbara Green Business Program

Be sure to always check:

- Local city ordinances, periodically
- Drought restrictions
- Business license/certificate requirements
- Wastewater Treatment Provider
- Professional Pet Groomer & Stylists Alliance Standards of Care, Safety and Sanitation Manual

ONLY RAIN DOWN THE STORM DRAIN

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Many mobile pet groomers and stylists don't realize that their habits and actions can pollute our local streams, creeks, lakes, rivers, and the ocean. Pollutants from mobile pet groomer and stylist operations (or from the malfunction of a mobile unit) can come into contact with irrigation and stormwater runoff and flow to a storm drain inlet and into our waterways.

This guide provides information about how to reduce impacts to stormwater associated with mobile grooming and stylist operations. You can help reduce water pollution year-round by implementing the BMPs in this guide.

MOBILE PET GROOMER AND STYLIST BMPs

MINIMIZING TOXIC CHEMICAL USE

- Products and/or chemicals used in the process of grooming and styling must comply with all applicable local, state and federal guidelines, rules and regulations and be pet friendly.
- Consider less toxic grooming practices by using eco-friendly products and equipment that reduce product amount and use less water. Only use products that are approved for disposal within the sanitary sewer.

Did you know? Even cleaning products labeled "non-toxic" and "biodegradable" may not be safe. "Non-toxic" means the product is not toxic to the user. "Biodegradable" means the product will eventually break down. These products are still harmful to wildlife and the environment.

WASTEWATER

- Never discharge wash water or wastewater from pet washing and grooming activities to the street, gutter, or near a storm drain.
- Wastewater from pet washing and grooming activities must be collected and discharged to a sink, toilet, or another drain connected to the sanitary sewer.

MOBILE UNIT AND EQUIPMENT CARE

- Never rinse off mobile unit, equipment, cages, crates, and tubs into the street, gutter, or storm drain.
- When washing your mobile unit, use a hose equipped with an automatic shutoff nozzle, and make sure wash water drains to a landscaped area or unpaved surface, not the storm drain.
- If possible, take your mobile unit to a local commercial car wash where wastewater is captured and treated.
- Repair mobile unit or equipment leaks quickly and use a drip pan to collect leaks.

Did you know? Antifreeze is poisonous to pets and wildlife who are attracted to its sweet smell and taste. Keep antifreeze in closed containers and dispose of antifreeze at your nearest hazardous waste collection center or at a scheduled drop-off event.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Dispose of non-toxic packaging or waste products such as hair, fur and nails from grooming and styling activities in the trash and/or recycling containers.
- Dispose of unwanted/expired chemicals at your nearest hazardous waste collection center or at a scheduled drop-off event.

SPILL PREVENTION AND CLEANUP

- In case a product spills outdoors, keep a spill kit available in your mobile unit.
- Clean spills or drips immediately.
- Use dry methods for cleaning up spills (absorbent, sweep) rather than rinsing down areas and dispose of it properly.

TRAINING

- Provide BMP training to all new employees and offer existing employees an annual refresher on stormwater pollution prevention.
- Post BMPs within the mobile unit.
- Keep all training records on-site and available for inspection.

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